

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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CRM-M-20677-2019

Date of Decision: 10.05.2019

Harpreet Singh @ Prince

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA.

**Present: Mr. Yashpal Thakur, Advocate,
for the petitioner.**

Mr. Rana Harjasdeep Singh, D.A.G., Punjab.

HARI PAL VERMA, J.(Oral)

Prayer in this petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in FIR No.40 dated 18.04.2018 under Sections 354-C, 506 IPC and Section 67-A of the Information and Technology Act, 2008 (for brevity "the I.T. Act"), registered at Police Station Tapa Mandi, District Barnala.

The allegation against the petitioner is that he had sent indecent messages to the daughter of the complainant and was harassing her. Earlier also, a similar FIR was registered against the petitioner, in which he is already on bail.

Learned State Counsel, on instructions from SI Angrej Singh, does not dispute the custody. However, he submits that the mobile set of the petitioner used in the crime has been sent for laboratory test on 10.01.2019 and the report is still awaited.

Heard learned counsel for the parties.

Considering the fact that the petitioner is in custody since

18.04.2018 and the trial in the case will take sufficient long time as FSL report is yet to be received in the case, this Court finds that the petitioner deserves to be admitted on bail.

Accordingly, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is admitted on regular bail, subject to furnishing of his bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of trial Court.

However, the observations made hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression on the merits of the case. The trial Court shall proceed with the trial independently without being influenced by the order of bail passed by this Court.

It is made clear that the petitioner shall not extend any threat and shall not try to influence any prosecution witnesses directly or indirectly in any manner.

In case the petitioner is found indulged in any other case of similar nature, the prosecution would be at liberty to seek cancellation of his bail.

May 10, 2019
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(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No