

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

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CRM-M-137-2019

Date of Decision:25.07.2019

Arjun Sharma

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

.....Respondent

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

**Present: Mr. J.S. Hooda, Advocate,
for the petitioner.**

Ms. Gaganpreet Kaur, AAG, Haryana.

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.253 dated 03.07.2017 under Sections 363, 366, 376-D, 370, 372, 373 IPC and Section 4 of the POCSO Act, 2012, registered at Police Station Hathin.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has argued that the petitioner is Pandit by profession and in the statement of the prosecutrix while appearing as PW3, there is no allegation against him except that he has solemnized marriage of the prosecutrix with Sonu. Petitioner is in custody since 01.10.2018. He states that the other co-accused Sita is already on bail.

Learned State Counsel, on instructions from ASI Tara Singh, has not been able to point out any other allegation against the petitioner.

Heard learned counsel for the parties.

Admittedly, the petitioner is in custody since 01.10.2018.

case is not likely to be concluded in the near future, therefore, this Court deems it appropriate to admit the petitioner 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.

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.

July 25, 2019
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(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No