

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

CRM-M-3412 of 2020 (O&M)

Date of Decision: January 30, 2020

Prince

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. Yashveer Kharb, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Mahima Yashpal, AAG Haryana.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)

The instant petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.900 dated 11.11.2019, under Section 12 of POCSO Act, registered at Police Station Model Town, District Panipat.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner herein was taken into custody in the aforesaid FIR on 26.11.2019. It is submitted that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. It is also contended that investigation is complete, as the challan has already been presented and charges framed and conclusion of trial will take sufficient time, therefore, the petitioner is entitled to be enlarged on bail.

Per contra, learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent-State, on instructions from the Investigating Officer, opposes the grant of

regular bail to the petitioner, however, does not dispute the fact that investigation is complete and charges have been framed in the matter.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Since, the trial is likely to take some time and in view of the facts that the petitioner herein has been in custody since 26.11.2019 and that investigation is complete, as the challan has already been presented and charges framed, no useful purpose would be served in keeping the petitioner behind bars. At this stage, without commenting on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on execution of adequate personal bond and surety bond to the satisfaction of concerned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

However, anything observed or said by this court is only for the purpose of deciding the instant petition for grant of regular bail and the same shall have no affect on the merits of the case.

January 30, 2020
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(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No