

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

CRM-M-8215 of 2020
Date of Decision: 02.03.2020

Vikas @ Akash

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present: Mr. Lakhwinder Singh Mann, Advocate
 for the petitioner.

 Mr. Sidakmeet Singh Sandhu, Asst. A.G.Punjab.

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. 157 dated 16.09.2019, under Sections 363, 366-A, 380 IPC of Indian Penal Code, registered at Police Station Mehatpur, District Jalandhar Rural.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that only role attributed to the petitioner in the said FIR is that he had taken the daughter of the complainant on motor cycle whereas the main role of enticing the prosecutrix would be that of one Sandeep son of Jagtar Singh, who has been declared as proclaimed offender.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that the matter has been investigated and the challan has been presented and therefore, the custody of the petitioner would no longer be required.

Learned counsel for the respondent-State is not in a position to dispute the fact that the matter has been investigated.

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 16.09.2019 and the investigation is complete, 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- Vikas @ Akash 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.

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

02.03.2020
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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No