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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No. 11052 of 2020
Date of decision: 13.07.2020

Taljit Singh

.....Petitioner

V/s.

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: - HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR

Present: Mr. Amit Dhawan, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. S.P.S. Tinna, Additional Advocate General, Punjab.

Sanjay Kumar, J.

The petitioner is one of the accused in FIR No. 99 dated 25.08.2019 on the file of Police Station Lohian, District Jalandhar, registered under Sections 363, 366 and 120-B IPC (Sections 376 and 506 IPC along with Section 4 of POSCO Act, 2012 and Section 4 of The Child Marriage Restraint Act, 1929 were added later on). By way of this petition, he seeks grant of regular bail.

This Court is informed that the police completed the investigation in this case and filed a challan. Thereupon, the victim-girl was also examined before the trial Court. Significantly, she retracted from the version set out in her statement recorded under Section 164 Cr.P.C and virtually gave a clean chit to the petitioner and the other accused. As the

trial is already underway and the victim-girl has also been examined, this Court is of the opinion that the petitioner would be entitled to grant of relief at this stage, subject to conditions.

The petition is accordingly allowed directing the release of the petitioner on regular bail in FIR No. 99 dated 25.08.2019 on the file of Police Station Lohian, District Jalandhar, upon his furnishing a personal bond for a sum of Rs. 50,000/- along with two sureties for a like sum each to the satisfaction of the Illaqa/Duty Magistrate concerned. Further, the petitioner shall not cause any inducement, threat or promise to any person concerned with the case.

(SANJAY KUMAR)
JUDGE

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whether speaking/non speaking : Yes/no
whether reportable/non reportable : Yes/no