

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-15801-2020

Date of Decision: 19.06.2020

Gaurav Joshi @ Gorav Joshi

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMOL RATTAN SINGH

Present: Mr.Siddharth Gupta, Advocate
for the petitioner

Mr.H.S.Sullar, DAG, Punjab

Amol Rattan Singh, J. (Oral)

All the cases listed today have been taken up for hearing by way of video conferencing because of the situation existing due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

By this petition, the petitioner seeks the concession of anticipatory bail upon FIR No.0019, dated 26.2.2020, having been registered at Police Station Nandgarh, District Bathinda, against him, alleging therein the commission of offences punishable under Sections 363/366 IPC (with Section 376 IPC added later on).

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that admittedly the alleged victim is above 18 years of age and in fact now a compromise has also been entered into between the complainant, her daughter Veerpal Kaur and the petitioner, a copy of which is annexed as Annexure P2 with the petition.

Without making any comment on the merits of the case, notice of motion is issued to the respondent-State, with Mr.H.S.Sullar, DAG, Punjab accepting notice at the asking of the court, with him having received an advance copy.

Mr.Sullar, on instructions from ASI Tarsem Singh, Police Station Nandgarh, District Bathinda, very fairly does not deny the contentions as raised by learned counsel for the petitioner, including the age of the alleged victim as also the factum of the compromise entered into between the parties.

Keeping in view the above, I see no purpose in even keeping the petition pending and consequently, the petition is accordingly disposed of.

The petitioner is directed to join the investigation immediately and upon the petitioner joining investigation, in case he is sought to be arrested, he would be admitted to interim bail, on his furnishing adequate bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the arresting officer/Illaqa Magistrate. He shall abide by the conditions stipulated in Section 438(2) of the Cr.P.C.

If the arresting officer does not join the petitioner in investigation, he would appear before the learned Illaqa Magistrate immediately, who would then summon the arresting officer and direct him to join him in investigation.

19.06.2020

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JUDGE

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