

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-16721-2020(O&M)

Date of decision:21.07.2020

Sonalal Kumar

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present:- Mr.Naveen Bawa, Advocate for the petitioner
Mr. Saurav Khurana, DAG, Punjab
Mr. Vishnu Dutt, Advocate for the complainant

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J. (ORAL)

CRM-16654-2020

Allowed as prayed for. Documents taken on record.

Main case

The petitioner prays for grant of bail pending trial in a criminal case arising from FIR No. 303 dated 28.12.2019 registered under Section 363, 366-A IPC and Section 4, 8 of The Protection of Children from Sexual Offence Act, 2012 (Section 376 IPC added later on) at Police Station Sahnewal, District Ludhiana.

In a nutshell, the case of the prosecution is that prosecutrix's mother has registered the present FIR with allegations that her minor daughter has been enticed away by the petitioner. Alongwith the miscellaneous application, a deed of settlement dated 9.7.2020 has been filed, according to which the first informant has now agreed to marry the victim (her daughter) with the petitioner.

The petitioner is in custody since 13.2.2020.

On completion of the investigation, police report under Section 173 Cr.P.C has been submitted. The petitioner is now in judicial custody.

Without commenting on the merits of the case and keeping in view the aforesaid facts, it is considered appropriate to release the petitioner on regular bail on his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the concerned trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

Petition stands allowed.

21.07.2020	(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes / No
Whether Reportable	Yes / No