

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

CRM-M No.17865 of 2020 (O&M)
Date of Decision.28.08.2020
(Heard through VC)

Ravinder Singh @ Ravi

...Petitioner

Vs

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present: Mr. K.S. Brar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab.

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JAISHREE THAKUR J. (ORAL)

This is a petition that has been filed for grant of regular bail in case FIR No.0105 dated 17.09.2018 registered under Sections 376D, 506 IPC at Police Station Kulgarhi, District Ferozepur.

Counsel for the petitioner herein *inter alia* would contend that the petitioner is in custody since 16.10.2019 and the challan already stands presented. It is further contended that the allegations in the FIR are totally vague pertaining to an incident, which took place three months prior to filing of the FIR. The complainant was already married, however, left company of her husband to accompany the petitioner and has now solemnized marriage with some other person. The trial is likely to take some time to conclude and therefore, seeks concession of bail.

Learned counsel appearing for the respondent-State opposes the regular bail while contending that no ground for bail is made out.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Keeping in view the fact that the challan has already been

presented and the trial is likely to take some time to conclude as due to COVID-19 situation, Courts are not working at their full strength and not taking up regular hearing matters, no useful purpose would be served in keeping the petitioner behind the bars. The instant petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on execution of adequate personal/ surety bond to the satisfaction of concerned trial Court/Duty Magistrate. However, any observation made herein shall not be construed to be an expression on merits of the case.

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

August 28, 2020
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Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No

Whether reportable Yes/No