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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-20908-2020
Date of Decision: 11.08.2020

Surender @ Sonu

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. Devender Arya, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Amit Aggarwal, DAG, Haryana.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

This is a petition for regular bail filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. on behalf of the petitioner in case FIR No.111 dated 19.03.2020, under Section 506 of the Indian Penal Code (in short the 'IPC') and Section 12 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012, (in short the 'POCSO Act'), registered at Police Station Kanina, District Mahendergarh.

[2]. The petitioner after his arrest has remained in detention since 19.03.2020. In the meantime, after completion of investigation, challan against him has already been submitted under Section 506 of the IPC read with Section 12 of the POSCO Act. The maximum award-able sentence for the offence under Section 12 of the POSCO Act happens to be imprisonment for 3 years.

[3]. In such circumstances, further detention of the petitioner for an indefinite period is not justified, at this stage.

[4]. For the aforesaid reasons and considering the long detention undergone by the petitioner, he is ordered to be released on regular bail subject to appropriate terms and conditions to the satisfaction of the Ld. Trial Court/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

[5]. Disposed off.

11.08.2020

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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No
2. Whether reportable: Yes/No