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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-21011-2020
Date of Decision: 11.08.2020

Balvir Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. Avtar Singh Bhatti, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Harbir Sandhu, AAG, Punjab.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

This is a petition for regular bail under Section 439 Cr.P.C. on behalf of the petitioner in case FIR No.0290 dated 02.12.2018, under Sections 363 and 366-A of the IPC 1860, registered at Police Station Tanda District Hoshiarpur.

[2]. The petitioner was arrested on 01.07.2020 and has thereafter remained in custody.

[3]. It transpires that the daughter of the complainant had eloped with the petitioner in the year 2018 and married him against the wishes of her parents.

[4]. By now, she has also given birth to a female child and is now residing in the petitioner's house.

[5]. From the noting made in para-5 of the impugned order passed by the Ld. Addl. Sessions Judge, Hoshiarpur (Annexure P-3), it transpires that the prosecutrix totally supported the petitioner's version and essentially falsified the allegations basically made against him by her father in the FIR.

[7]. Besides, investigation against the petitioner has already been completed and Challan was submitted against him almost 7 months ago in the month of January.

[4]. In such circumstances 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