

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT  
CHANDIGARH**

**CRM-M-21200-2020**

Date of decision: 14.10.2020

Jagdish Singh @ Jagga

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

... Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR MITTAL**

Present: Mr. Rishu Mahajan, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Amit Mehta, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

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**SUDHIR MITTAL, J. (Oral)**

The petitioner seeks regular bail in case FIR No.26 dated 10.02.2020, registered at Police Station Shahkot, District Jalandhar, under Sections 363, 366, 376 read with Section 34 IPC and under Section 4 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been in custody since 11.02.2020. The trial is not likely to be concluded at an early date, as charges have not yet been framed. There is no other criminal case pending against the petitioner. Moreover, the alleged prosecutrix got married with the petitioner before the registration of the FIR. Thus, the petitioner deserves to be granted regular bail.

Learned State counsel concedes that the charges have not yet been framed and that there is no other criminal case pending against the petitioner.

Keeping in view the fact that the petitioner has undergone more than 08 months of custody and the trial is not likely to be concluded at an early date, I deem it appropriate to release the petitioner on regular bail.

Accordingly, the petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail and surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

**[SUDHIR MITTAL]**  
**JUDGE**

**14.10.2020**

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Whether speaking / reasoned: Yes / No  
Whether Reportable: Yes/ No