

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

(Through Video Conferencing)

CRM-M No.24784 of 2020

Date of Decision: 01.09.2020

Ranjeet Singh @ Jeeti

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE NIRMALJIT KAUR

Present: Mr. Arnav Sood, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Eklavya Gupta, Advocate,
for the complainant.

Mr. S.P.S Tinna, Addl. Advocate General, Punjab.

NIRMALJIT KAUR, J. (ORAL)

The prayer in the present petition is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.6 dated 01.02.2020 under Sections 363, 366 and Section 376 IPC, 6 of POCSO Act, added later on, registered at Police Station Hajipur, District Hoshiarpur.

The age of the girl in question is 16 years and 10 months as on date but it is evident that the petitioner and the girl, who is yet to attain the age of majority were having an affair and is a case of consent.

No doubt the consent of the girl, who less than 18 years of age is of no consequence but the petitioner too in the present case is only 19 years of age. It is further stated that the parents of both the children have decided to get them married after she attain the age of majority. This fact is also confirmed by learned counsel for the complainant, who has instructions to state that they have no objection, if the petitioner is released on bail.

In view of the facts and circumstances, the present petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing of bail bonds and surety bonds to the satisfaction of concerned Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate.

(NIRMALJIT KAUR)
JUDGE

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Whether Speaking/Reasoned : Yes/No
Whether Reportable : Yes/No