

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

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CRM-M-24867 of 2020

Date of Decision: 02.12.2020

(through video conferencing)

Surjit alias Jeetu

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Vikas Bishnoi, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Arun Beniwal, DAG, Haryana.

Manjari Nehru Kaul, J.(Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner, in case FIR No.30 dated 09.03.2018 under Section 6 of POCSO Act, 2012 and Sections 365 and 506 IPC (Section 3 of SC/ST Act was added later on), registered at Police Station Women Cell, District Fatehabad.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the case in hand. He further submits that even as per FSL report (Annexure P-2), no conclusive opinion has been given with respect to the DNA profiling done on the articles which were sent for examination. He further submits that for the past almost 9 months, the trial has not made any progress on account of pandemic Covid-19 hence, the petitioner be extended the concession of regular bail.

Per contra, learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI

Rekha, while opposing the prayer and submissions made by learned counsel

for the petitioner, has apprised the court that the prosecution evidence has since concluded, however, the delay in the conclusion of the trial has been due to the outbreak of pandemic Covid-19.

Heard.

In the wake of allegations levelled against the petitioner in the FIR in question, the petitioner does not deserve the concession of regular bail.

Accordingly, the petition is dismissed. However, the trial Court is directed to expedite and conclude the trial at the earliest, preferably within 4 months from today.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

02.12.2020
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Whether speaking/ reasoned :	Yes/ No
Whether Reportable :	Yes/ No