

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

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**CRM-M-25199-2020 (O&M)
Date of Order:12.10.2020**

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..Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

..Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present: Mr. Sandeep Saini, Advocate,
for the petitioner.
Mr. Chetan Sharma, AAG, Haryana

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J(Oral)

Hearing of the case was held through video conferencing on account of restricted functioning of the Courts.

On 17.09.2020, the following order was passed:-

“The hearing of the case was held through video conferencing on account of restricted functioning of the Courts.

The petitioner prays for grant of anticipatory bail in a criminal case arising from FIR No.56, dated 18.07.2020, registered under Section 376/342/506/120-B IPC and Section 4 of POCSO Act, at Women Police Station Jind, District Jind.

As per the case of the prosecution, the petitioner called the victim to her house and thereafter, led her in a room and closed the door from outside. It is claimed that the victim, who is a minor, was raped by Sohit.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is a paternal aunt of the victim and due to a family dispute, she has been falsely implicated. He further contends that the medical evidence show that the victim has not suffered any injury, although, she claims that she resisted the sexual assault.

Notice of motion for 12.10.2020.

On the request of this court, Mr. Chetan Sharma, AAG, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of the State.

In the meantime, in the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be released on interim bail subject to furnishing personal bonds and surety to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer. However, the petitioner

shall join the investigation as and when called upon to do so and shall abide by the conditions as provided under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.”

Learned counsel appearing for the State, on instructions from SI Sheela Devi, has submitted that the petitioner has joined the investigation, cooperated and is not required for further custodial interrogation.

Keeping in view the aforesaid facts, the interim order dated 17.09.2020 passed by this Court is made absolute.

Accordingly, the present petition is allowed.

October 12, 2020
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(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No