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

CRM-M-39381-2020

Date of decision: 01.12.2020

JASPAL SINGH @ BHUSHAN

... Petitioner

versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA

Present: Ms. Gurjeet Kaur, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sukhbeer Singh, AAG, Punjab.

HARI PAL VERMA, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up for hearing through video conferencing due to outbreak of COVID-19.

Prayer in the present petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. is for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.199 dated 03.12.2019 registered under Sections 363, 366-A of IPC (Section 120-B IPC added lateron) at Police Station Jaito, District Faridkot.

The aforesaid FIR was registered on the statement of Ninder Singh. He, after boarding his daughter on bus at Village Rameana, came back to his village Karirwali, but his daughter did not return to home. He searched his daughter in the relatives, but could not find her whereabouts. Now he has come to know that some unknown person has enticed away his daughter on the pretext of marriage.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has argued that the daughter of the complainant and Gurpreet Singh have solemnized marriage and they approached this Court by way of CRWP No.3469 of 2020 titled as Jaspreet Kaur and another Versus State of Punjab and others, so as to seek protection. The petitioner is father of Gurpreet Singh and therefore has been named as an accused in the FIR. Similar allegations were made against Paramjit Kaur who is already on bail. The petitioner is in custody since 22.10.2020. Even otherwise the daughter of complainant Jaspreet Kaur has submitted an affidavit that she does not have any grudge against her husband, her in-laws including the present petitioner.

Learned State counsel does not dispute the custody as well as the submissions made on behalf of the petitioner.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Considering the fact that the petitioner is in custody since 22.10.2020 and is father of Gurpreet Singh who has solemnized marriage with the prosecutrix, this Court deems it appropriate to admit the petitioner on bail.

Accordingly, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is admitted on regular bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned?	Yes/No
Whether reportable?	Yes/No