

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

CRM-M-92-2021

Date of decision: 10.02.2021

Gurpreet Singh**...Petitioner****Versus****State of Punjab and another****...Respondents****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN**

Present:- Mr. Manjinder Singh Saini, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)

The petitioner prays for grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No. 0037 dated 12.03.2019, registered under Sections 376/506 of the IPC and Section 4 of the POCSO Act, 2012 at Police Station Sadar Tarn Taran, District Tarn Taran.

The present FIR was registered on 12.03.2019 with the allegations that daughter/prosecutrix of the complainant (name withheld), aged about 13 years, is not mentally fit. On 11.03.2019 at about 06.00 PM, the complainant found that her daughter had gone out and she was found in a vacant plot while petitioner was standing nearby her and was threatening the prosecutrix. On seeing the complainant and her husband, the petitioner ran away.

On 06.01.2021, learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that some compromise is arrived at between the petitioner and complainant, however, a perusal of the record shows that no such compromise is effected between the petitioner and the prosecutrix, who is aged about 13 years.

Even the MLR of the victim as well as her statement recorded under Section 164 Cr.P.C. have not been attached with the petition.

Learned State counsel submits that the victim has supported the prosecution version and in her statement recorded under Section 164 Cr.P.C. and as per FSL report, the semen of the petitioner was found on the exhibits, which further supports the allegations of rape.

After hearing learned counsel for the parties, without commenting anything on the merits of the case, considering the serious allegations against the petitioner, who is evading arrest since a long time, this Court finds no ground to grant concession of anticipatory bail to him.

Accordingly, the present petition is dismissed.

10.02.2021

Waseem Ansari

**(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No