

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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CRM-M-5620-2021 (O & M)
Date of Decision: March 16, 2021

LOVEPREET SINGH

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr.Gursimran Singh Jossan, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.164 dated 31.07.2020, under Sections 363, 366-A, 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station Sadar Bathinda, district Bathinda.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that it is alleged by the complainant that the petitioner had enticed the daughter of the complainant. He, however, contends that the petitioner had married the daughter of the complainant and had been granted protection by the Additional Sessions Judge, Ferozepur on 03.08.2020. A copy of the order is at Annexure P-3. However, later, the matter has been entrusted to the Sessions Judge and the petitioner was unaware of the same. The petition was dismissed in default by the Sessions Court on 04.08.2020 (Annexure P-4). He also contends that it is mentioned in the FIR that the date of birth of the daughter of the complainant is 16.10.2002, meaning thereby, she is over 18 years of age.

This Court, by the order dated 08.02.2021, had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer and join the investigation

and in the event of his arrest, he was ordered to be released on ad-interim bail to the satisfaction of the Investigating/Arresting Officer, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Jaswinder Singh, states that the petitioner has joined investigation.

In view of the above and the petitioner having joined investigation, the order dated 08.02.2021 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute.

However, the petitioner shall abide by the conditions stipulated under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. He shall also join investigation as and when called upon to do so.

The petition stands disposed of.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

March 16, 2021
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Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No