

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

CRM-M No.21495 of 2021 (O&M)

Date of Decision:28.06.2021

(Heard through VC)

Hardeep Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents

**CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR**

Present:- Mr. Munish Puri, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Ms. Rashmi Attri, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Sanjeev Kumar, Advocate  
for the complainant.

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**JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (ORAL)**

**CRM No.17301 of 2021**

Application is allowed.

Annexures P-7 to P-9 are taken on record, subject to all just  
exceptions.

**CRM No.17300 of 2021**

Counsel for the petitioner does not press the instant application.

Dismissed as not pressed.

**CRM-M No.21495 of 2021**

This is a petition that has been filed for grant of regular bail to  
the petitioner in FIR No.19 dated 11.02.2021 registered under Sections 376  
and 417 IPC at Police Station Sujampur, District Pathankot.

Counsel for the petitioner herein would contend that the

petitioner has been falsely implicated in the said matter, as the complainant was a married woman and had entered into the relationship with the petitioner on her own accord. It is argued that the allegations of rape on the pretext of marriage are not sustainable. It is further argued that in fact, the matter has been compromised between the parties and the complainant would have no objection in case regular bail is allowed to the petitioner.

At this stage, appearance has been caused on behalf of the complainant by Mr. Sanjeev Kumar, Advocate, who admits to the factum of compromise and states that the complainant has no objection in case regular bail is allowed to the petitioner.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties. Keeping in view the fact that the matter has been compromised between the parties and the trial is likely to take some time to conclude owing to present COVID-19 pandemic situation, no useful purpose would be served in keeping the petitioner behind bars. The instant petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on execution of adequate personal/surety bond to the satisfaction of concerned trial Court/Duty Magistrate. However, any observation made herein shall not be construed to be an expression on merits of the case.

**June 28, 2021**  
Pankaj\*

**(JAISHREE THAKUR)**  
**JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No