

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

(235)

CRM-M-33106-2021

Date of Decision: 19.08.2021

(Heard through VC)

GURCHARAN SINGH

...Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present: Mr. Sherry K. Singla, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Rashmi Attri, A.A.G., Punjab.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)

The instant petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C. for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in FIR No. 57 dated 16.06.2021 under Sections 363/366-A of Indian Penal Code and Section 120-B of IPC (added later on) registered at Police Station Bakhshiwala, District Patiala.

It has been argued by the counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the said matter and he has been in custody since 21.07.2021. He further argued that the FIR has been registered at the behest of Sukhwinder Singh father of the girl stating that one Deepak Singh @ Sonu had allured his daughter on the pretext of marriage. It is further submitted that the FIR was got registered on 16.06.2021 and thereafter as the daughter of complainant and Deepak Singh @ Sonu could not be found, a supplementary statement of the complainant has been recorded on 21.07.2021 involving the petitioner on which date he

was picked up. The petitioner is a neighbourer of Deepak Singh @ Sonu and has no role to play in the running away of the daughter of the complainant and the accused Deepak Singh @ Sonu.

Learned State counsel opposes the bail application referring to the allegations against the petitioner.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties and have also perused the paper book.

The trial is likely to take some time to conclude owing to present COVID-19 pandemic situation. In the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case, the instant petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on his execution of personal/surety bonds to the 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.

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No

Whether reportable Yes/No