

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

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CRM-M-35963-2020

Date of decision : 27.01.2021

VISHAL @ RAMAN

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

.. Respondent

CORAM :HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Mr. Shashikant Gupta, Advocate for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Chetan Sharma, AAG, Haryana.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No.225 dated 18.07.2020, under Sections 452, 506 IPC and Section 8 of the POCSO Act registered at Police Station Sadar Narnaul, District Mahendergarh.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that it is alleged that the petitioner had molested the complainant, who was 17 years and 09 months on the date of incident. The petitioner is now 21 years of age and is not involved in any other criminal case. He also contends that the petitioner is in custody for about 06 months.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Sarika, contends that although challan has been filed but none of the prosecution witnesses has been examined.

Heard through video conferencing.

In view of the above especially when the petitioner is in custody for about 06 months, he is not involved in any other criminal case, the COVID-19 pandemic and the conclusion of the trial is likely to take some time, I deem it a fit case to grant the concession of regular bail to the petitioner.

Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

However, the petitioner shall appear before the Police Station Sadar Narnaul, District Mahendergarh on every alternate Monday till the conclusion of the trial. He shall not make any attempt to contact the complainant or other witnesses either directly or indirectly.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

January 27, 2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No