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

CRM-M No. 38284 of 2020
Date of Decision: 16.03.2021

Jaswant Singh @ Sonu

-Petitioner

Vs

The State of Punjab

-Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ MOHAN SINGH

Present: Mr. K.S. Hissowal, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Amar Ashok Pathak, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

RAJ MOHAN SINGH, J. (ORAL)

The case has been taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

Petitioner seeks grant of anticipatory bail under Section 438 Cr.P.C. in case bearing FIR No.154 dated 13.10.2020 under Sections 363, 366-A IPC registered at Police Station City Jagraon, District Ludhiana.

Petitioner is maternal uncle (mama) of Mela Nath @ Mela Singh.

Statement of the victim namely Nisha has been recorded under Section 164 Cr.P.C. on 01.12.2020 wherein she has not supported the case of the prosecution. She has been sent to Nari Niketan, Jalandhar on 04.12.2020.

Vide order of even date, Mela Nath @ Mela Singh has been granted concession of anticipatory bail.

In view of above, the petition is allowed. Petitioner is directed to appear before the SHO/Investigating Officer to join investigation on 20.03.2021 and in the event of his arrest, he shall be released on anticipatory bail on his furnishing adequate bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of SHO/Investigating Agency subject to the following conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C:-

- i) that the petitioner shall make himself/herself available for interrogation before the Investigating Officer as and when required;
- ii) that the petitioner shall not, directly or indirectly, make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him/her from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer;
- iii) that the petitioner shall not leave the country, without prior permission of the Court and shall surrender his/her passport, if any.

16.03.2021
Jyoti Sharma

(RAJ MOHAN SINGH)
JUDGE

- 1. Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
- 2. Whether reportable : Yes/No