

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH
(through video conferencing)**

CRM-M No.40324 of 2020

Date of Decision :25.02.2021

Sanjeet Mehta

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Kamalpreet Bawa, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramandeep Singh Sandhu, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

Instant petition has been filed under Section 439 Cr.PC for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.55 dated 29.06.2020 registered under Sections 14, 15 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offence, 2012 and Section 67-B of Information and Technology Act (Section 201 IPC added later on) registered at Police Station Samalsar, District Moga.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is an innocent and has been falsely implicated in the case in hand for allegedly posting child pornography on the facebook account of "Komal Singh" by fabricating the aforementioned account for his mobile No.81968-44861. He has further submitted that without any proper investigation having been carried out, much less to trace the IP address from which the facebook account was allegedly made and operated, the petitioner was implicated in the case in hand. It has further been submitted that the petitioner has been

since 21st August 2020 and there is no likelihood of the trial concluding in the near future as prosecution evidence has not yet commenced.

Heard.

Per contra, learned State counsel while opposing the prayer of learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that there are serious allegations against the petitioner for indulging in child pornography.

Prima facie in the wake of serious allegations against the petitioner he does not deserve the concession of bail. Accordingly, the present petition stands dismissed.

25.02.2021
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(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/Reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No