

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

CRM-M-48650-2021

Date of Decision: 10.12.2021

Lakhan Bhatti

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr. Arjun Veer Sharma, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Rajesh Bhardwaj, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in the present petition is for the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in a case FIR No.176 dated 11.11.2019, registered under Sections 363/366-A IPC (Section 376 IPC and Sections 6 and 17 of the POCSO Act, 2012 added lateron) at Police Station City Nawanshahr, District Shaheed Bhagar Singh Nagar.

FIR in the present case has been lodged by the mother of the prosecutrix, namely, Jaswinder Kaur. It has been alleged by the complainant that she has three children. Her daughter Priya was to give private exams of Class 10+2 and her date of birth is 11.11.2002. The victim was playing outside the courtyard and when she checked, she found the victim missing and her documents regarding her date of birth and Aadhaar Card were also found missing. Later on, she came to know that Rajat Bhatti, who used to work in GO Company, Nawanshahar had allured the victim on the pretext of marriage. She further alleged that she was searching her daughter but she could not be traced, hence, lodged the present FIR for taking legal action against the culprits.

Admittedly, this is the 3rd petition filed by the petitioner for the grant of anticipatory bail in the abovesaid FIR. First petition filed by the petitioner bearing CRM-M-34474-2021 was dismissed on 24.8.2021 by this Court by passing a detailed order. Thereafter another petition filed by the petitioner bearing CRM-M-39102-2021 was dismissed by this Court on 20.9.2021.

In these circumstances, I do not find any new ground or change in circumstances to grant the relief sought for by the petitioner in 3rd petition when a detailed and reasoned order has already been passed on 24.8.2021 while dismissing his first petition and there is no reason to differ from the decision already taken on the said petition. Moreover, the FIR was lodged on 11.11.2019 and since then the petitioner is absconding and not cooperating with the investigation of the case. In the overall circumstances of the case, the petition stands dismissed.

10.12.2021

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Whether Speaking/Reasoned

Whether Reportable

(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)**JUDGE**

Yes/No

Yes/No