

surrendered before the trial Court on 11.10.2023 and he is in custody since then. Prayer has been made to release the petitioner on regular bail.

4. Learned State counsel submits that only 02 witnesses have been examined and the trial is at the initial stage. Statement of the prosecutrix has been record. Learned State counsel has opposed the bail application on the ground that the petitioner would interfere in the prosecution evidence in case he is released on bail.

5. I have considered the aforesaid contentions and perused the record.

6. The present case was registered at the instance of the prosecutrix with the allegations that on 15.08.2021, the petitioner went to the house of the proxecutrix and on the pretext of marrying her, the petitioner has forcefully made physical relations with her without her consent. When the prosecutrix opposed him, the petitioner promised to marry her but later on, he refused to do so. The petitioner was earlier granted regular bail on the ground that the prosecutrix is a married lady having four children and the petitioner is also married and has three children.

6. Without commenting on the merits of the case, but keeping in view the above facts as well as the fact that investigation is already complete; the trial is at the initial stage which will take some time to conclude; the testimony of the prosecutrix has already been recorded and the petitioner has himself surrendered before the trial Court without any long delay after his lapse to attend the trial, at this stage, no useful purpose will be served by keeping the petitioner in custody, as such, the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail, subject to his furnishing bail bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

7. All the pending miscellaneous applications, if any, shall stand disposed of.

(HARPREET KAUR JEEWAN)
JUDGE

19.01.2024

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I attest to the accuracy and
integrity of this order/judgment.

Whether speaking/reasoned

: Yes/No

Whether reportable

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