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

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Date of Decision:-05.09.2025

Jagraj Singh @ Chand

...Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:-HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE AMARJOT BHATTI

Present:- Mr. Naveen Sharma, Advocate for petitioner.

Mr. Jasjit Singh Rattu, DAG, Punjab.

AMARJOT BHATTI, J.

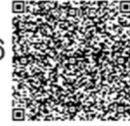
1. Petitioner – Jagraj Singh @ Chand has filed petition under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 for grant of regular bail in FIR No.158 dated 18.07.2024, under Sections 376, 420, 120-B of IPC (Section 406 of IPC and Sections 4, 5 of Immoral Traffic Act, 1956 were added later on), registered at Police Station Jamalpur, District Ludhiana (Annexure P-1).

2. As per facts of case, prosecutrix 'P.T.' aged about 24 years, gave her statement that she is an uneducated lady. She is having two brothers who are residing in Delhi with whom she is not on talking terms. Her mother had expired during her childhood. Her father was having five

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children from first marriage. One of her step-sister left her in the house of Daljit when she was 15/16 years of age. She worked in the house for 13-14 months, said Daljit introduced her with another lady Navdeep Kaur. She worked for her for about 02-03 months. The prosecutrix started calling her mother. She performed her marriage with Chand. On the very first day of marriage, her husband Chand left her at the house of Navdeep Kaur and went away. On the same night, she was raped by Chintu husband of Navdeep Kaur. On the next day, Chand came to the house of Navdeep Kaur. She narrated everything to him who consoled her. Thereafter, she along with her husband Chand went to Amritsar and stayed there for 2-3 days. She was again left in the house of Navdeep Kaur where her husband Chintu repeatedly did wrongful act with her. Other girls also used to come to her house to indulge in such activity. They tried to push her in these immoral activities. She explained the whole thing to her husband Chand who in return stated that she can earn Rs.2,000/Rs.3,000/- in a day and in case the said money is saved, they can build their own house. Said Chintu worked as a receptionist in a hotel at Chandigarh Road, Ludhiana. She was repeatedly taken in the said hotel for doing wrongful act. Entire money was retained by them and they even tried to give her drugs. She wanted to get out of these activities, therefore, she started working in a parlour. Even then, she was sent to hotel for doing wrongful act. She was also sent to Jammu with a broker Rahul and she worked there for about 1 ½ year. Navdeep Kaur and their associates used to come to collect money. During this period, she had participated in a committee of Rs.11 Lakhs and the said

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money was stolen by Navdeep Kaur. When the matter was protested, she was given Rs.1 Lakh and a writing on stamp paper as Rs.1.5 Lakhs. Being an illiterate lady, her signatures were wrongly taken. Finally, she went to her father who was residing in Jagdish Colony, Patiala and told him everything. When she came to Ludhiana at the house of Navdeep Kaur to pick up her articles, she came to know that Navdeep Kaur had left her room. All her belongings were also taken away by her. She kept on calling her husband Chand who did not pick up the phone. With these allegations, the matter was enquired and present FIR was registered.

3. Learned counsel for petitioner argued that false allegations are levelled on account of financial dispute. In fact, the prosecutrix had left the petitioner in order to make quick money through prostitution. Accused Palwinder Singh @ Chintu had expired on 15.04.2025. At present, petitioner is behind the bars. His regular bail application was wrongly declined by learned Additional Sessions Judge, Fast Track Court, Ludhiana vide order dated 17.06.2025 (Annexure P-3). He is ready to abide by the terms and conditions of bail order.

4. Learned counsel representing State has already filed status report confirming the allegations as detailed in the FIR. Present petitioner was arrested on 13.12.2024. He was medically examined. The marriage photographs were produced by him. It is confirmed that one of the accused, Palwinder Singh @ Chintu had expired on 15.04.2025. Other co-accused are yet to be arrested. There are specific serious allegations against the present petitioner. The prosecutrix was abandoned by her husband and she

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was forced to indulge in immoral activities time and again in order to make money. Challan is already presented on 07.03.2025, charges are yet to be framed. Therefore, considering the gravity of offence, petitioner is not entitled to be released on regular bail.

5. I have considered the arguments and have gone through the record. As per the facts detailed in the FIR, role of present petitioner is specific. He along with other co-accused is specifically named for pushing the prosecutrix to indulge in immoral activities to make money. The trial is at initial stage. After framing of chargesheet, statement of victim is yet to be recorded. Therefore, considering the gravity of offence and specific allegations, I do not find merits in the present regular bail petition and the same is accordingly declined.

6. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, stand disposed of accordingly as well.

05.09.2025

*Sunil Devi***(AMARJOT BHATTI)**
JUDGEWhether speaking/reasoned:
Whether reportable:Yes/No
Yes/No