



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

CRA-S-4218-2024

Date of decision : 19.08.2025

Ashish

.....Appellant

Versus

State of Haryana and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE

Present: Ms. Shivangi Chauhan, Advocate, for  
Mr. Dhruv Sheoran, Advocate,  
for the appellant.

Mr. Deepak Balyan, Addl. Advocate General, Haryana.

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**SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE** ( Oral )

1. Appellant Ashish, who is in custody since 11.04.2024 and is facing trial in FIR No. 54 dated 28.02.2024, under Sections 363, 366A, 376 IPC, Section 3 (2) (V) of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 and Section 6 of the Prevention of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012, registered at Police Station Tosham, has filed this appeal against order dated 20.11.2024 passed by the Court of learned Additional Sessions Judge, Bhiwani, dismissing the regular bail application filed by him and his co-accused Anil.

2. Learned counsel for the appellant contends that the prosecutrix, who is aged about 17/18 years, and her mother, while deposing in the Court as PW.14 and PW.15, respectively, have not supported the story of the prosecution.



3. Learned counsel for the State informs that out of enlisted twenty three prosecution witnesses, sixteen have been examined.

4. In view of the fact that main prosecution witnesses have been examined and keeping in view the period of custody undergone by the appellant, there is no possibility of the appellant influencing the prosecution witnesses, especially when he has no criminal antecedents. Thus, this Court deems it appropriate to grant regular bail to the appellant.

5. Accordingly, the appellant is ordered to be released on bail subject to his furnishing bail bond in the sum of Rs. 1,00,000/- with two sureties of Rs. 50,000/- each to the satisfaction of the trial court/Duty Magistrate and subject to the conditions stipulated in Section 480 (3) Bharatiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 [equivalent to Section 437 (3) Cr.P.C.], as well as the following condition :

- (i) the appellant shall plant 10 saplings of indigenous plants at a public place and submit proof in that regard by way of photographs before the trial court within a period of 15 days and if there is no such intimation submitted or intimation is found to be incorrect, then the State can move an application for cancellation of bail of the appellant.

6. The appeal stands allowed.

( SHEEL NAGU )  
CHIEF JUSTICE

August 19, 2025  
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No