

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

CRM-M -26410 of 2016 (O&M)
Date of decision: 28.09.2016

Bantu Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN

Present: Mr. J.K. Singla, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ankur Jain, AAG, Punjab
assisted by HC Ram Pal.

Jitendra Chauhan, J. (Oral)

By filing the present petition under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, the petitioner has sought anticipatory bail in FIR No.84 dated 20.07.2016, registered under Section 61(1) (a) of Punjab Excise Act, 1914, at Police Station Bhikhi, District Mansa.

On 03.08.2016, this Court had passed the following order:-

“Contends that the petitioner is not in exclusive possession of the house and he was not arrested from the spot. Further contends that the petitioner is not involved in any other case.

Notice of motion for 28.9.2016.

Meanwhile, in the event of arrest of the petitioner by the

Arresting Officer, he shall be released on interim bail subject to the following conditions:

- 1. That he shall make himself available for interrogation by a police officer as and when required;*
- 2. That he shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer and;*
- 3. That he shall not leave India without prior permission of the Court.”*

It is contended that in pursuance of the order dated 03.08.2016, the petitioner has joined the investigation.

The learned State counsel, on instructions submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation and he is not required for custodial interrogation.

In view of the above, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the interim bail granted by this Court vide order dated 03.08.2016, is made absolute, subject to furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate, concerned.

The petition stands allowed.

28.09.2016

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(JITENDRA CHAUHAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes No

Whether Reportable: Yes No