

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH.**

CRM-M No.3542 of 2016

Date of Decision:-19.02.2016

Surender.

.....Petitioner.

Versus

State of Haryana.

.....Respondent.

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present:- Mr. Partap Singh, Advocate for the Petitioner.

Mr. Gaurav Dhir, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana
assisted by SI Varinder Singh.

JASWANT SINGH, J (ORAL)

Prayer is under Section 439 Cr.PC for grant of regular bail to the petitioner Surender in case FIR No.18 dated 07.01.2016 for offences punishable under Sections 419, 420, 467, 468, 471 of Indian Penal Code and Section 65 of Copy Right Act and Section 61 of the Excise Act registered with Police Station City Sonipat, District Sonipat.

On a secret information a raid was conducted on a Godown, E-36, Industrial Area, Sonapat behind the Chemical Factory where illicit liquor was stocked in huge quantity for the purpose of selling the same at high prices by affixing fake wrappers of *Old Monk* and *Yes Goa* etc which were also found there. However, no one was apprehended at the spot.

It is contended that the petitioner who is a liquor contractor with a L-1 licence and an occupant of adjacent plot E-35 was arrested on the same day from his premises with the allegations of dealing in smuggling of the seized bottles from adjacent Godown. It is further contended that the Godown existing at plot no.E-36 is taken on rent by one Deepak Dahiya and the petitioner has nothing to do with either the godown or the seized material. Petitioner is further stated to be in custody since 8.1.2016 and investigations qua him are stated to be over.

Learned State Counsel assisted by SI Varinder Singh does not refute the custody period and that the godown is on rent with one Deepak Dahiya who has not been arrayed as accused. He further concedes that investigation qua petitioner are over.

Without going into the merits of the case, keeping in view the the custody period as well as the fact that the trial is not likely to be concluded in near future, present petition is allowed and the petitioner Surender is ordered to be released on bail to the satisfaction of learned CJM/Duty Magistrate, Sonipat.

Petition stands disposed of.

(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE

February 19, 2016
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