

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

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CRM-M-33902-2017

DATE OF DECISION: 13.10.2017

NAIB SINGH

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Pardeep Kumar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sandeep Vermani, Addl.A.G., Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.72 dated 01.08.2017, under Section 61 of the Punjab Excise Act, registered at Police Station Boha, District Mansa.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that 15 liters of Lahan and 02 bottles of illicit liquor were allegedly recovered from him. He further contends that the Additional Sessions Judge, Mansa had earlier stayed his arrest and directed him to join investigation. Although he joined the investigation but his application for anticipatory bail was dismissed by the order dated 06.09.2017. It is further stated in the petition that he is not involved in any other case.

This Court, by the order dated 13.09.2017, had directed the petitioner to join the investigation and in the event of his arrest, he was to be released on ad-interim bail to the satisfaction of the

Investigating/Arresting Officer, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from SI Jaspal Singh, states that the petitioner has joined investigation and is not required for custodial interrogation.

In view of the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner and keeping in view the fact that the petitioner has joined investigation, the order dated 13.09.2017 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute.

However, the petitioner shall abide by the conditions stipulated under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. He shall also join investigation as and when called upon to do so.

The petition stands disposed of.

13.10.2017

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**(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes / No
Whether reportable : Yes / No