

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

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CRM-M-36696-2018 (O&M)

Date of Decision : 04.09.2018

Vinod Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE P.B.BAJANTHRI

Present: Mr. K.S.Brar, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Luvinder Sofat, AAG, Punjab assisted by HC Chhottu Ram.

P.B. BAJANTHRI, J.(ORAL)

In the present petition, petitioner seeks anticipatory bail under the provision of Section 438 Cr.P.C. in FIR No.72 dated 14.07.2018 under Sections 61, 78/1/14 Excise Act, 1914 registered at Police Station Kotbhai, District Sri Muktsar Sahib.

2. Learned State counsel has filed short reply by way of an affidavit of Gurtej Singh Sandhu, PPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub-Division, Gidderbaha. Same is taken on record.

3. Perusal of the reply statement it is evident that petitioner is only owner of the vehicle. He was not on the spot with the liquor which was recovered. One of the allegation that he ran away from the spot. In view of these facts and circumstances, petitioner is entitled for anticipatory bail.

4. Petitioner is directed to appear before the Investigating Officer and join the investigation.

5. In the event of his appearance, Investigating Officer shall release him on interim bail on his furnishing bail/surety bonds to its entire

satisfaction. He will remain bound by the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C

6. With the above observation, petition stands allowed.

7. However, the petitioner shall not in any way indulge in any criminal activities and he shall also not influence the witnesses or other wise interfere with the fair trial.

04.09.2018

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(P.B.BAJANTHRI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned?

Yes/ No

Whether reportable?

Yes / No