

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-3680-2018(O&M)
Date of Decision: 08.02.2018
--Petitioner

Tillu @ Jagmender Singh

Versus

State of Haryana

--Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.

Present:- Mr. J.K. Sehrawat, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Deepak K. Grewal, D.A.G., Haryana.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.J (Oral)

This order shall dispose of the present petition filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C praying for the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case F.I.R. No.0575 dated 29.12.2017 under sections 120-B, 420, 467, 468, 471 I.P.C and section 61 of the Punjab Excise Act, registered at Police Station, Dharuhera, District Rewari.

Counsel for the petitioner has been heard at length.

Perusal of the FIR would reveal that based on a secret information, a 12 tyre truck bearing registration no. HR-39-B-8224 was intercepted and upon checking of the vehicle it was found that it was loaded with old gunny bags and below the *bardana* a bamboo sheet was fixed and underneath of which 1000 cartons of liquor mark 'NV-Crazy Romeo Whisky' and each carton containing 48 quarter bottles/nips were recovered.

The person driving the vehicle was arrested on the spot and who disclosed his name as Amit Kumar @ Kulwinder.

Present petitioner is sought to be implicated on the statement of Amit Kumar @ Kulwinder and who in turn disclosed the petitioner to

be the owner of the vehicle.

During the course of arguments counsel would concede that the truck in question is in the ownership of the petitioner. Even the engagement of Amit Kumar @ Kulwinder as a driver is conceded.

In the light of such heavy recovery of illicit liquor and without any license or permit having been furnished, it is a case where custodial interrogation of the petitioner may well be warranted to unearth the real truth and get to the bottom of the matter.

For the reasons recorded above, this Court is not inclined to extend in favour of the petitioner the concession of pre-arrest bail.

Accordingly, the present petition is dismissed.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

08.02.2018

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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes
Whether Reportable:	No