

Sr. No.213

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

**CRM-M-48612-2018
Date of decision:6.12.2018**

Jaspreet Singh

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

Coram: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJBIR SEHRAWAT

Present: Mr. Arjun Veer Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Hitten Nehra, Addl.AG, Punjab.

Rajbir Sehrawat, J(Oral)

This is a petition filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.218, dated 27.09.2018 under Section 61 of Excise Act, registered at Police Station Meharbah, District Ludhiana.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is not involved in the crime at all. Still further it is contended that otherwise also, the recovery of liquor has already been done by the police. There is no other case against the petitioner. Petitioner is no more required for any custodial investigation purposes.

On the other hand, learned State counsel; being instructed by ASI Maninder Pal Singh, submits that the petitioner is involved in illicit liquor trade. However, he does not dispute that recovery of 564 bottles have already been effected in this case. It is also not disputed that there is no other case against the petitioner.

In view of the above, the present petition is allowed. It is ordered that in the event of arrest, the petitioner be released on bail subject to his furnishing personal bonds/surety to the satisfaction of Investigating Officer. It is also ordered that the petitioner shall join the investigation on 17.12.2018 at 10:00 am and further, as and when called upon to do so by the Investigating Officer. Petitioner shall abide by the conditions as provided under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

6th December, 2018

Shivani Kaushik

**[RAJBIR SEHRAWAT]
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned *Yes/No*

Whether Reportable *Yes/No*