

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

**CRM-M No. 50393 of 2018
Date of Decision:-26.11.2018**

Rinku Aulakh @ Sukhjeet Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ

Present:- Mr. Vishavjeet Singh Rishi, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramdeep Partap Singh, DAG, Punjab.

MANOJ BAJAJ J.(Oral)

Prayer in this petition filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.71 dated 12.5.2017, under Sections 61 and 78 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914, Police Station Ladhawal, District Ludhiana.

The petitioner was granted the concession of anticipatory bail by the Additional Sessions Judge, Ludhiana, who had joined the investigation. However, later on the application was dismissed on the ground that he has not co-operated.

Faced with this situation, the petitioner has now approached this Court for grant of pre-arrest bail. As illegal liquor has already been

recovered and occupants of the vehicle were arrested on the spot, the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not necessary.

Resultantly, the petition is allowed. In the event of arrest, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer. However, the petitioner shall continue to join the investigation as and when called upon to do so and shall abide by the conditions as provided under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

November 26, 2018
Vijay Asija

(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes / No
Yes / No