

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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CRM-M-10257-2019
Date of Decision: 30.04.2019

PIARA SINGH

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Ms. Sumati Jund, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Ruchika Sabharwal, AAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.15 dated 08.02.2019, under Sections 61/1/14 of the Punjab Excise Act, registered at Police Station Kiratpur Sahib, District Rupnagar.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the allegations in the FIR are that 180 bottles of country made liquor were recovered from the car and the petitioner is alleged to have run away from the spot. He further contends that the petitioner is not connected with the car in any manner and has been falsely implicated. He is not involved in any other case of similar nature.

A coordinate Bench of this Court by the order dated 07.03.2019, had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer and join the investigation and in the event of his arrest, he was ordered 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 HC Raj Kumar, states that the petitioner has joined investigation but has not furnished the documents of the car.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has reiterated that the petitioner is not connected with the car and hence would not have the documents with regard thereto.

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 07.03.2019 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.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

April 30, 2019
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