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

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Date of Decision: 07.05.2019

Ravinder Singh alias Shoki

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH

Present: Ms. Sarika Gupta, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Sr. DAG, Punjab

INDERJIT SINGH, J. (Oral)

Petitioner has filed this petition under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (for brevity, 'Cr.P.C.') for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.200 dated 23.12.2018, registered at Police Station City Hoshiarpur, under Section 61 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914.

Notice of motion was issued in this case. Learned State counsel has put in appearance on behalf of the respondent-State and contested this petition.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned State counsel and have gone through the record.

From the record, I find that in the present case, 605 boxes of liquor were recovered from a Mahindra pick-up and other co-accused have

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been arrested by the police. The present petitioner has been nominated on the disclosure statement of co-accused, Parminder Singh @ Babbu, who stated that Ravinder Singh @ Shoki (present petitioner) had been indulging in liquor business illegally, along with him.

In pursuance of the interim order dated 19.03.2019 passed by this Court, the petitioner has already joined the investigation. He is not required for custodial interrogation. Recovery has already been effected. Therefore, no useful purpose will be served by sending him to custody.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the present case; without discussing the facts of the case in minute details and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, I find merit in this petition and the same is allowed. The order dated 19.03.2019, granting interim bail to the petitioner, is made absolute. However, the petitioner shall join the investigation as and when called upon to do so and shall abide by the conditions of Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

07.05.2019

parveen kumar

(INDERJIT SINGH)
JUDGE

Note:	Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes
	Whether reportable	:	No