

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

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CRM-M-21888-2019

DATE OF DECISION: 24.07.2019

BAKSHISH SINGH

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Prince Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Sudeepti Sharma, Addl. AG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.78 dated 22.04.2017, under Section 61 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914, registered at Police Station Bhikhiwind, District Tarn Taran.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the allegations against the petitioner in the FIR are that he is in the habit of manufacturing and selling illicit liquor, but no recovery of illicit liquor has been effected from him. The petitioner is 71 years of age and is not involved in any other case of similar nature. He also contends that the petitioner had earlier been granted regular bail by the Court, but he could not appear before the Court on one date as his leg was fractured and his bail bonds were cancelled. He referred to the X-ray report in this regard, a copy of which is at Annexure P3. He undertakes that the petitioner shall appear before the Court on each and every date of hearing and shall not absent himself except with the prior permission of the Court.

This Court, by the order dated 14.05.2019, had directed the petitioner to appear before the trial Court and on his doing so, he was to be released on *ad interim* bail on his furnishing requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner had appeared before the trial Court on 18.05.2019 and he was released on ad interim bail in terms of the order dated 14.05.2019.

In view of the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner and keeping in view the fact that the petitioner has appeared before the trial Court, the order dated 14.05.2019 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.

24.07.2019

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(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

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