

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

**CRM-M-49448 of 2018 (O&M)**  
Date of decision: **February 04, 2019**

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| Atma Singh      | Versus | ...Petitioner  |
| State of Punjab |        | ...Respondents |

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU**

Present: Mr.Harpreet Singh Jakhal, Advocate for the petitioner.  
Ms.Sunint Kaur, DAG, Punjab.

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**Harinder Singh Sidhu, J. :**

By filing this petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C., the petitioner has sought anticipatory bail in case FIR No.115 dated 26.9.2018 under Section 61 of Punjab Excise Act, 1914, registered at PS Arniwala, District Fazilka.

Notice of motion was issued to the State. Meanwhile, the petitioner was granted interim anticipatory bail and directed to join investigation.

On instructions from ASI Jasbir Singh, learned State counsel submitted that the petitioner has joined the investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required.

In view of above, the petition is allowed. The order dated 13.11.2018 granting interim anticipatory bail to the petitioner, is made absolute. However, the petitioner shall join the investigation as and when called upon to do so by the Investigating Agency and shall abide by the conditions of Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

**February 04, 2019**

**( HARINDER SINGH SIDHU )  
JUDGE**

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| Whether Speaking / Reasoned | Yes      |
| Whether Reportable          | Yes / No |