

**In the High Court for the States of Punjab and Haryana
At Chandigarh**

CRM-M-27963-2019 (O&M)
Date of Decision:- 10.7.2019

Satbir Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Yashpal Thakur, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Ms. Amarjit Kaur Khurana, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner seeks grant of regular bail in a case registered vide FIR No.71, dated 9.6.2019, Police Station Longowal, District Sangrur, under Section 61 and 78 of the Punjab Excise Act.
2. The FIR was lodged on the basis of secret information that the petitioner along with his co-accused Davinder Singh and Gaurav Sharma, were indulging in sale of country made liquor by procuring the same from Haryana. Pursuant to the aforesaid secret information, the police raised barricading and apprehended a car in which the

three accused were sitting. While two of the co-accused managed to flee from the spot, the petitioner who was sitting on the rear seat was arrested at the spot. A search of the car led to recovery of 300 bottles of country made liquor.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that he has falsely been implicated in the present case and that in any case nothing else is required to be recovered from him and thus he is entitled for grant of concession of bail.
4. Opposing the petition, the learned State counsel has submitted that the petitioner is involved in one more identical case and thus is not entitled for grant of bail.
5. Having considered rival submissions addressed before this Court and while noticing that nothing is to be recovered from the petitioner, to my mind no useful purpose would be served by further detaining the petitioner behind bars. The petition, as such, is accepted and petitioner Satbir Singh is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail bonds/surety bonds to the satisfaction of learned trial Court/Chief Judicial Magistrate/Duty Magistrate concerned.
6. The present petition stands accepted accordingly

July 10, 2019

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**(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking /reasoned

Yes / No

Whether Reportable

Yes / No