

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

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CRM-M-33699-2019

DATE OF DECISION: 12.09.2019

SURINDER SINGH

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Sandeep Kumar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. N.K. Banka, DAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.136 dated 30.07.2019, under Sections 61 and 78 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914, registered at Police Station Dugri, District Ludhiana.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is not named in the FIR and the contents of the FIR are itself vague and it is only mentioned that two cars are parked in a vacant plot and if a raid is conducted, liquor would be recovered. He also contends that the petitioner is not related to the main accused Kuldeep Singh in any manner.

This Court, by the order dated 21.08.2019, had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer and join the investigation and in the event of his arrest, he was 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, upon instructions from ASI Manjit Singh, states that although the petitioner has joined investigation and is not required for the custodial interrogation.

In view of the submissions of the learned counsel for the petitioner especially when the petitioner has joined investigation, the order dated 21.08.2019 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.

12.09.2019

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**(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE**

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