

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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CRM-M-40325-2019 (O & M)

Date of Decision: December 12, 2019

BALWINDER SINGH @ BINDER

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB

....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Shivraj Angi, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No. 130 dated 03.09.2019, under Section 61 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914, registered at Police Station Vairoke, District Fazilka.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that 16 ¼ bottles of illicit liquor and 20 litres of 'lahan' is alleged to have been recovered from the petitioner and he fled from the spot. He also contends that it is not possible for the petitioner to run away from the spot in the presence of several police officials.

This Court, by the order dated 20.09.2019, had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer and join the investigation and in the event of his arrest, he was ordered 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 Gurnab Singh, states that the petitioner has joined investigation and is not required for custodial interrogation.

In view of the submissions of learned counsel for the petitioner and the petitioner having joined investigation, the order dated 20.09.2019 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.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

December 12, 2019

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Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No