

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

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CRM-M-40591-2019

DATE OF DECISION: 24.10.2019

DALJEET SINGH

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. S.S. Slar, Advocate for
Mr. R.S. Dhaliwal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No. 152 dated 17.08.2019, under Section 61 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914 ('Excise Act' - for short), registered at Police Station City Sunam, District Sangrur.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the allegations against the petitioner are that 28 boxes containing 12 bottles of country made liquor each were recovered from the house of the petitioner. He also contends that the petitioner is not involved in any other case under the Excise Act. He further contends that it has erroneously been recorded by the Additional Sessions Judge, Sangrur, in the order dated 26.08.2019 rejecting anticipatory bail to the petitioner, that illicit liquor was recovered.

This Court, by the order dated 23.09.2019, had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer and join the investigation and in the event of his arrest, he was 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 Rajwant Kumar, states that the petitioner has joined investigation and is not required for custodial interrogation.

In view of the submissions of the learned counsel for the petitioner and the petitioner having joined investigation, the order dated 23.09.2019 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

24.10.2019.

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