

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

CRM-M-61560-2018
Date of decision: 11.01.2019

Jagjeet Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present:- Mr. Rajeev Duggal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sidakmeet Sandhu, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)

This petition has been filed under Section 439 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No. 210 dated 27.09.2018, registered under Sections 61/78 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914 at Police Station Sangat, Bathinda, Punjab.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner is in judicial custody since 23.11.2018 and he is not involved in any other case. It is further submitted that investigation is complete and petitioner is no more required for any further custodial investigation.

Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that offences are triable by the Court of a Magistrate and it will take long time in conclusion of the trial.

Learned State counsel filed custody certificate which is taken on record. He has not disputed the factual position as submitted by learned counsel for the petitioner.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Without commenting upon the merits of the case, considering the fact that petitioner is in judicial custody since 23.11.2018; he is not involved in any other case and also in view of the fact that offences are triable by the Court of a Magistrate and it will take long time in conclusion of the trial, the instant petition is allowed. The petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.

January 11, 2019

Waseem Ansari

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No