

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

CRM-M-3563-2020(O&M)

Date of Decision : -2.12.2020

Lovejeet Singh @ Lovely and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.S. MADAAN

Present: Mr.A.S. Brar, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr.Randhir Singh Thind, DAG, Punjab.

H.S.MADAAN, J. (ORAL)

Case taken up through video conferencing.

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This is an application for addition of offence under Section 78(2) of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914 in the head-note as well as in the prayer clause of the petition.

Heard.

For the reasons mentioned in the application, the same is allowed. Registry is directed to do the needful.

On the oral request of learned counsel for the petitioners, the main petition is taken up today.

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Learned counsel for the petitioners states that petitioners have since joined the investigation and have been released on interim bail. This fact has been conceded by learned State counsel further

stating that it being so the custodial interrogation of the petitioners is not required. He has made this statement on the instructions of ASI Baljinder Singh.

In view of such statement made by the State counsel, the interim bail granted to the petitioners vide order dated 28.1.2020 is made absolute, on their fulfilling following conditions:

- (i) that the petitioners shall make themselves available for interrogation by a police officer as and when required;
- (ii) that the petitioners shall not, directly or indirectly, make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer;
- (iii) that the petitioners shall not leave India without the previous permission of the Court; and
- (iv) that the petitioners shall surrender their passports before the Investigating Officer and if they are not having passport, then shall file the affidavit in that regard.

In case the petitioners violate any term and condition on which the bail has been granted to them, the prosecution would be entitled to apply for cancellation of bail to them.

2.12.2020
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(H.S. MADAAN)
JUDGE

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