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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-13623 of 2020
Date of decision : 14.08.2020

Rajat Singh

....Petitioners

Vs.

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice G.S. Sandhawalia

Present:- Mr. S.K.Choudhary, Advocate for the petitioners

Mr. Hitten Nehra, Addl. AG, Punjab

(The proceedings have been conducted through Video
conferencing as per instructions.)

G.S. Sandhawalia, J. (Oral)

Prayer made in the present Criminal Misc. is for granting anticipatory bail in the event of arrest in FIR No.13 dated 28.3.2020 registered under Sections 61-1-14 of Excise Act, 1914 at Police Station, Narot Jaimal Singh, District Pathankot.

Vide order dated 2.6.2020, this Court while granting interim anticipatory bail passed the following relevant order:-

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'Inter alia contends that though the petitioner has been named in the FIR on the basis of which 108 bottles of country made liquor were recovered. However, he was not arrested on the spot. It is contended the vehicle namely 'Safari' is not registered in his name and he was not arrested from the spot and no identification parade had been done that one of the person who had run away is the petitioner. It is further submitted that similarly situated co-accused Sachin Salaria has been granted the benefit of anticipatory bail by the

Additional Sessions Judge, Pathankot on 28.05.2020 and the petitioner is similarly situated.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Suvir Sheokand, Addl. AG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondent/State

List on 14.08.2020.

In the meantime, it is directed that the petitioner shall join investigation and in the event of arrest of the petitioner, he shall be released on ad-interim bail by the investigating officer. The petitioner shall join investigation as and when required and shall comply with the conditions laid down in Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.”

Counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has joined investigation and the recovery had already been effected and thus the petitioner is no longer required for further investigation.

Counsel for the State on instructions from ASI Arun Kumar has confirmed the said facts.

Keeping in view the above, interim order dated 2.6.2020 is ordered to be confirmed.

The Criminal Misc. Petition stands disposed of accordingly.

14.08.2020
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(G.S. Sandhawalia)
Judge