

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

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CRM-M-16969-2020

Date of decision: 20.08.2020

Joni Ram @ Joky

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUVIR SEHGAL

Present: Mr. Manish Singh, Advocate for
Mr. Digvijay Nagpal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ramdeep Partap Singh, DAG, Punjab.

SUVIR SEHGAL J. (ORAL)

The Court has been convened through video conferencing due to Covid-19 pandemic.

Through the instant petition under Section 438 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, the petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR No.149, dated 08.06.2020 registered under Sections 61/1/14 of the Punjab Excise Act at Police Station Sardulgarh, District Mansa, Punjab.

Counsel for the petitioner has referred to para 6 of the petition to submit that no other criminal case against the petitioner has been registered under the Punjab excise Act.

Vide order dated 01.07.2020 passed by this Court, the petitioner was released on interim bail and was directed to join investigation.

Learned State counsel on instructions from SI Shivji Ram states that the petitioner has joined the investigation and he is not required for custodial interrogation.

In view of the said facts, without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and the order dated 01.07.2020 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute, subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

20.08.2020

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(SUVIR SEHGAL)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/Reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No