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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.18184 of 2020

Decided on: 13.07.2020

Sikander Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present : Mr. Inderjit Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Sidakmeet S. Sandhu, AAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)

The petitioner prays for grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No.0067 dated 18.05.2020, registered under Section 61 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914, at Police Station Nathana, District Bathinda.

Counsel for the petitioner has argued that as per the allegations in the FIR, 40 liters of '*Lahan*' has already been recovered and the petitioner is not involved in any other case. It is further submitted that the petitioner was not found present at the spot when the raid was conducted and the recovery has already been effected and nothing is to be recovered.

Counsel for the State has not disputed the aforesaid fact.

In view of the above, this petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to appear before the Investigating Officer within a period of 10 days from today, to join the investigation and he shall be released on interim bail on furnishing bail/surety bonds subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No