

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

**CRM-M No.19211 of 2020 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 01.10.2020**

Paramjit Singh @ Pamma @ Permjit Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU

Present:- Mr. A.S.Barnala, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Manpreet Singh Nagra, AAG, Punjab for the respondent.

MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU, J. (Oral)

Second petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner in FIR No.11 dated 22.01.2020, under Sections 78, 61/1 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914, registered at Police Station Nathana, District Bathinda.

This Court, while issuing notice of motion on 20.07.2020, passed the following order:-

“ Contends that the recovery of alleged contraband i.e. 180 bottles of liquor has already been effected from co-accused Raj Kumar.

Notice of motion for 01.10.2020.

In the meanwhile, the petitioner will join the investigation before the Investigating Officer. In the event of his arrest, the Arresting Officer would admit him to interim bail in the present case till the next date of hearing on his furnishing adequate bail and surety bonds to his satisfaction. The petitioner is also directed to abide by all the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. ”

Contends that in terms of the above order, petitioner has joined the investigation.

Learned State Counsel, on instructions from ASI Sandeep Kumar, has acknowledged that in terms of order dated 20.07.2020, petitioner has joined the investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required.

In view of above, interim order dated 20.07.2020 is made absolute subject to the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

It is also made clear that petitioner shall fully co-operate with the Investigating Officer as and when called for further investigation.

The above observations may not be construed as an expression of opinion on merits of the case.

Disposed off accordingly.

October 01, 2020

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**(MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU)
JUDGE**

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>