

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-19901-2020(O&M)

Date of decision: 01.09.2020

ATMA SINGH

.....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present:- None for the petitioner

Mr. Amit Mehta, Sr. DAG, Punjab

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J. (ORAL)

On 22.7.2020, the following order was passed by this Court:-

“This matter is being taken up for hearing through video conferencing

due to the outbreak of the pandemic, COVID-19.

It is submitted that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in FIR No.118 dated 12.07.2020, under Section 61 of the Excise Act, 1914 alleging a recovery of 36 bottles of country made liquor. The petitioner is not involved in any other criminal case. It is submitted that the petitioner undertakes to join investigation.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State. Advance copy of the petition stands served upon the State.

At request, adjourned to 01.09.2020.

In the meanwhile, petitioner shall join investigation as and when required by the investigating agency and fully cooperate in the investigation of this case. In the event of his arrest, the petitioner shall be released on interim bail to the satisfaction of Investigating Officer. Petitioner shall comply with the conditions stipulated in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.”

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Sukhdev Singh has submitted that the petitioner has joined investigation, cooperated and is not required for further custodial interrogation. He has further stated that the petitioner does not have any criminal antecedents.

In view of the above, order dated 22.7.2020 is hereby made absolute.

Petition stands allowed.

01.09.2020

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Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes / No
Yes / No

(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE