

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH
(through video conferencing)**

CRM-M-23710-2020
Decided on : 18.09.2020

Ravi

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

..... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. Yoeshwar Dalal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Apoorv Garg, DAG, Haryana.

Manjari Nehru Kaul, J.

Instant petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.PC for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.267 dated 02.05.2020 (Annexure P-1) for offence under Section 61-C (I) (II)-14 of The Punjab Excise (Haryana Amendment) Act 2020 registered at Police Station Surajkund District Faridabad.

Learned counsel for the petitioner inter alia inter alia contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the FIR in question on the basis of secret information. As per the allegations in the FIR, the petitioner along with other accused was running an illegal furnace for making liquor in the deep hilly area of the village. It has further been contended that the petitioner has not been arrested on the spot. It is further submitted that the petitioner is not involved in any other case and hence, it has been prayed that the concession of bail be extended to the petitioner.

On being put to notice, learned State counsel on instructions from SI Naresh Kumar, submits that the petitioner was not only

named in the FIR on the basis of secret information received by the investigating agency but he is the main accused, who was running an illegal furnace for making illicit liquor in the deep hilly area. It is further submitted that since it was a hilly terrain, the petitioner and the other accused managed to flee in the nearby forest area on seeing the police party. He has also submitted that a huge recovery of 18 plastic and iron drums was effected from the spot out of which 16 drums were filled with lahan. Not only this, other related material used in the illicit distilling was also recovered from the spot.

Heard.

Prima facie there are serious allegations levelled against the petitioner in the FIR in question. Hence, no ground is made out to extend the concession of anticipatory bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, the present petition stands dismissed.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

18.09.2020

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Whether speaking/reasoned:
Whether reportable :

Yes/No
Yes/No