

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-24034-2020

Date of decision : 16.11.2020

Jagtar Singh alias Tara

..... Petitioner (s)

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent (s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

Present: Mr. P.K.S. Phoolka, Advocate
for petitioner.

Mr. Sidakmeet Singh Sandhu, DAG Punjab.

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HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

The case is taken up through video conferencing on account of COVID 2019.

By filing this petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C., petitioner has sought anticipatory bail in FIR No. 129 dated 5.8.2020 registered under Section 61 of Punjab Excise Act, 1914 at Police Station Nahianwala, Bathinda, District Bathinda.

As per allegations in FIR, 50 liters of lahan was recovered from the house of petitioner though, petitioner managed to flee away from spot.

Notice of motion was issued to State. Meanwhile, petitioner was granted interim anticipatory bail and directed to join investigation.

On instructions from ASI Gurnaib Singh, learned State counsel submitted that petitioner has joined investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required. However, it is stated that petitioner is involved in 3 other cases of similar nature.

Learned counsel for petitioner states that petitioner is on bail in those cases.

In view of above, petition is allowed. Order dated 24.8.2020 granting interim anticipatory bail to petitioner is made absolute. However petitioner shall join investigation as and when called upon to do so by Investigating Agency and shall abide by conditions of Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

(HARINDER SINGH SIDHU)
JUDGE

16.11.2020

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Whether reasoned order : Yes / No
Whether reportable : Yes / No