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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-24860-2020
Date of Decision : 28.08.2020

Manjit Singh @ Meeta

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

...

(through video conferencing)

Present: Mr. Jagdish Singh Mahal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Samina Dhir, DAG, Punjab.

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MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (Oral):

Prayer in this petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No.156 dated 07.08.2020 under section 61 of Punjab Excise Act, 1914 registered at Police Station Kalanaur District Gurdaspur.

Learned counsel contends that a highly improbable and false case has been planted upon the petitioner of running a furnace and distilling illicit liquor at his house. On a pointed query put to the learned counsel he admitted that even earlier there were cases of similar nature registered under Section 61 of the Punjab Excise Act against the petitioner. However, he submits that the petitioner was acquitted in 02 out of the 04 cases registered against him under the Excise Act, the trial was still underway in 01 case and in the 4th case he had been convicted.

In view of the antecedents of the petitioner, he seems to be a habitual offender, therefore, no ground for grant of anticipatory bail is made out.

The petition is dismissed.

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(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

Note: Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes / No
Whether Reportable:	Yes / No