

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

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IN VIRTUAL COURT

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**CRM-M No. 25395 of 2020
Date of decision : 1.9.2020**

Gurcharan Singh @ Channu

.....Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

Coram: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJBIR SEHRAWAT

Present : Mr. B.S. Bhalla, Advocate, for the petitioner

Rajbir Sehrawat, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed by the petitioner under Section 438 Cr.P.C for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No. 130 dated 27.6.2020, registered under Section 61 of Punjab Excise Act, 1914, at Police Station Dharamkot, District Moga.

It is contended by the counsel for the petitioner that the case against the petitioner has been concocted for political reasons. Otherwise, the petitioner never indulges in the activities alleged against him. In any case, the recovery already stands effected. Therefore, the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required. It is also submitted that there is no other case against the petitioner.

Notice of motion.

Mr. APS Gill, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the State.

It is submitted by the counsel for the State, being instructed by ASI

Rachpal Singh, that on a secret information, the police had conducted a raid at

the house of the petitioner. During that process, 100 bottles of illicit liquor have been recovered from the kitchen of the house of the petitioner. However, it is not disputed that there is no other case against the petitioner; and that the recovery already stands effected in this case.

In view of the above, but without commenting any further on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed. The petitioner is granted concession of anticipatory bail. Therefore, it is directed that in case of his arrest, the petitioner shall be released on bail subject to his furnishing bail bonds/ surety bonds to the satisfaction of Arresting/ Investigating Officer. However, it is further directed that the petitioner shall join the investigation as and when called upon to do so and shall abide by the conditions as provided under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

(RAJBIR SEHRAWAT)
JUDGE

1.9.2020
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Reportable	:	Yes/No