

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

CRM-M-28545-2020(O&M)
Date of decision: 18.09.2020

Champa Devi @ Gejo

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. Ritesh Pandey, Advocate for the petitioner.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

Case is taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

Through the instant petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C., the petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR No. 313 dated 29.08.2020 registered under Section 61 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914, at Police Station Civil Lines Batala, District Gurdaspur.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the raid was conducted on a secret information. The petitioner was not apprehended at the spot and the recovery shown was only of 20 bottles of illicit liquor. He further states that the petitioner was granted interim bail, which was later on vacated vide order dated 11.09.2020 passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Gurdaspur, while dismissing the bail application of the petitioner.

I have heard the learned counsel for the petitioner at length.

As would emerge from the order 11.09.2020 passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge, Gurdaspur, the petitioner has been involved in as many as 5 other cases, out of which in one case she stands acquitted whereas in another case, she stands convicted. Thus, it is apparent that the petitioner is a habitual offender having repeated and continuous criminal antecedents.

In view of the above, this Court finds no ground to grant him the concession of anticipatory bail.

The present petition is dismissed.

(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

18.09.2020

Mangal Singh

Whether reasoned/speaking?
Whether reportable?

Yes/No
Yes/No