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**201IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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Date of decision: 15.12.2020

Harbans Kaur

.....Petitioner

vs.

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present: Mr. Nirmaljeet Singh Sidhu, Advocate, for the petitioner.
Mr. Hittan Nehra, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (ORAL)

Case taken up through video conferencing.

Through the present petition filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. the petitioner seeks the grant of anticipatory bail in FIR No.79 dated 27.06.2020 registered under Section 61/78/1/14 of the Excise Act, 1914, at Police Station City Rampura, District Bathinda.

Briefly stated, the case of the prosecution is that on a raid conducted by the State at the house of the petitioner 25 litres of illicit liquor was recovered.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner, who is a 65 years old lady, has been falsely implicated in the case due to political rivalry in the village; there is no other criminal case in which she is involved; the alleged recovery is not from the petitioner and under the interim orders passed by this Court the petitioner has not only joined the investigation but has also fully co-operated with the investigating agency.

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Learned State counsel submits that under the interim orders passed by this Court the petitioner has not only joined the investigation but has also fully co-operated with the investigating agency and that her custodial interrogation is not required.

After considering the totality of the above facts especially the statement made by the learned State counsel that the petitioner has joined the investigation and her custodial interrogation is not required, the order of this Court dated 13.10.2020 granting ad-interim anticipatory bail to the petitioner is made absolute.

Nothing observed herein-above shall be considered to be an expression of opinion by this Court on the merits of the case.

December 15, 2020
R.S.

(Deepak Sibal)
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether Reportable

Yes/No