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**202IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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Date of decision: 21.12.2020

Surinder Singh @ Chhinda Singh

.....Petitioner

vs.

State of Punjab

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present: Mr. Ajay Kumar, 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.0370 dated 24.10.2020 registered under Section 61 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914 at Police Station Sadar Fazilka, District Fazilka.

Briefly stated, the case of the prosecution is that that on receipt of secret information a raid was conducted at the petitioner's house leading to the recovery of 84 bottles of illicit liquor.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contended that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the case; there is no other criminal case in which the petitioner is involved; no recovery has been effected from the petitioner; the alleged recovery from his house has been foisted upon him; nonetheless now no recovery is required to be made from him and that

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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.

Learned State counsel submitted that the petitioner has joined the investigation; he has co-operated with the investigating agency and that his custodial interrogation is not required.

Keeping in view the above facts and in particular the afore statement made by learned State counsel as also for the reason that the petitioner is not involved in any other criminal case, the order of this Court dated 04.11.2020 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 21, 2020
R.S.

(Deepak Sibal)
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned Yes/No

Whether Reportable Yes/No