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

CRM-M-37843-2020

Date of decision: 09.12.2020.

JASPAL @ PAPPU

... Petitioner

versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

.... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA

Present: Mr. Amandeep Singh Manaise, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Balbir Singh Sewak, Additional Advocate General, Punjab.

HARI PAL VERMA, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up for hearing through video conferencing due to outbreak of COVID-19.

Prayer in this petition filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.105 dated 04.08.2020 registered under Section 61 of Punjab Excise Act, 1914 at Police Station Dorangla, District Gurdaspur.

The allegation against the petitioner is that 25 bottles of liquor were recovered from the pond in the village which happens to be in front of house of the petitioner.

Counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the case and the recovery was not effected from the petitioner.

Learned State counsel submits that the petitioner is a habitual person and doing sale of illicit liquor in the area. As many as 6 other FIRs have been registered against him for committing similar offences. The pond from where recovery was effected is just in front of the house of the petitioner. The distance between the place of recovery and the door of the house of petitioner is hardly 7 feet.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

Considering the fact that recovery was effected from the place which is in front of the house of the petitioner and noticing the fact that there are as many as 6 other cases i.e. FIR No.53, dated 02.08.2018, FIR No.65, dated 07.10.2018, FIR No.19, dated 15.03.2019, FIR No.65, dated 01.10.2019, FIR No.76, dated 17.11.2019 and FIR No.57, dated 18.08.2018, all under Section 61 of Punjab Excise Act, Police Station Dorangla, District Gurdaspur, registered against the petitioner, this Court does not find any ground to admit the petitioner on anticipatory bail.

Accordingly, the present petition is dismissed.

(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned?	Yes/No
Whether reportable?	Yes/No