

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-4757-2021

DATE OF DECISION: 05.03.2021

AJIT SINGH

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Harlove Singh Rajput, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.141 dated 20.08.2019, under Sections 420 & 120-B IPC (Sections 467, 468, 471 IPC added later on), registered at Police Station Gharinda, District Amritsar Rural.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is not named in the FIR wherein 06 co-accused have been named. There is a delay of 05 months in registering the FIR which is result of a fallout between partners with regard to the applications for liquor vends for the financial year 2019-20. The allocation of liquor vends had been made in March, 2019. It is also stated that the petitioner is not involved in any other case. Similarly situated co-accused, namely, Satinderjit Singh has been granted anticipatory bail by the Coordinate Bench of this Court in CRM-M-25367 of 2020, on 02.09.2020.

This Court, by the order dated 02.02.2021, had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer and join the investigation and in the event of his arrest, he was to be released on ad-interim bail to the

satisfaction of the Investigating/Arresting Officer, subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

Learned State counsel, upon instructions from ASI Rajbir Singh, states that the petitioner has joined the investigation.

In view of the above and the petitioner having joined investigation, the order dated 02.02.2021 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute.

However, the petitioner shall abide by the conditions stipulated under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. He shall also join investigation as and when called upon to do so.

The petition stands disposed of.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

05.03.2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes / No
Whether reportable	:	Yes / No