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

**CRM-M-5002-2020
Date of decision-18.08.2021**

SATNAM SINGH @ BABBU**...Petitioner**

Vs.

STATE OF PUNJAB**...Respondent****CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ**

Present: Mr. S.P. Singh, Advocate for
Mr. B.S. Bhalla, Advocate for petitioner.

Mr. Ramandeep Singh Sandhu, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

MANOJ BAJAJ, J. (ORAL)

This petition has been filed by the petitioner under Section 438 Code of Criminal Procedure for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.0003 dated 19.01.2020 under Section 61 Punjab Excise Act, 1914, registered at Police Station Ramdas, Amritsar Rural. The petitioner apprehended his arrest at the hands of Police, in the above FIR.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has invited the attention of the Court to the order dated 05.02.2020, whereby, while issuing notice of motion to respondent-State, the interim protection was extended to the petitioner. The said order reads as under:-

“Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner was falsely implicated in the case and the alleged recovery was effected from an open space accessible to all.

Notice of motion for 27.05.2020.

Meanwhile, the petitioner shall join the investigation and would come present as and when

called for and in the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be admitted to interim bail on his furnishing personal and surety bonds to the satisfaction of Arresting/Investigating Officer. The petitioner shall also abide by the conditions as specified under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.”

Learned counsel for the petitioner further contends that in deference to the said order, the petitioner submitted himself before the Police and joined the investigation. According to him, the petitioner cooperated with the Police Authorities during the investigation and furnished requisite bonds to the satisfaction of the Investigating Officer/Arresting Officer.

Learned State counsel who is assisted by ASI Jasbir Singh does not dispute this fact that the petitioner has joined the investigation and he is not required for custodial interrogation for the time being. He further states that final report also stands filed.

Considering the above, the petition is allowed and the interim bail granted by this Court vide order dated 05.02.2020 is made absolute.

(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE

18.08.2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes	No
Whether Reportable :	Yes	No