

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-13830-2021

DATE OF DECISION: 21.09.2021

BHUPINDER KUMAR

... Petitioner(s)

*Versus*

STATE OF HARYANA

... Respondent(s)

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL**

Present: Mr. Pardeep Kumar, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Deepak Bhardwaj, DAG, Haryana.

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**ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)**

Case taken up through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No.55 dated 10.03.2021, under Section 61 Act No.1 of 1914 (Haryana Amendment Bill, 2020) Excise Act and under Sections 120-B, 272, 308, 420, 468, 471, 472, 473 IPC, registered at Police Station Sadar Ambala, District Ambala.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is not named in the FIR wherein it is alleged that a raid was conducted at the premises of co-accused from where plastic liquor bottles, stickers and spirit etc. was recovered in large quantity. The petitioner has been arraigned as an accused on the statement of co-accused that the petitioner had supplied the empty plastic bottles. He, however, contends that the petitioner is a proprietor of firm M/s Sapna Industries and was legitimately supplying empty bottles to various customers. There is no material which would indicate that the empty bottles were being sold by the petitioner for manufacturing illegal liquor in connivance with the co-accused.

This Court, by the order dated 18.08.2021, had directed the petitioner to appear before the Investigating Officer and join the investigation

and in the event of his arrest, he was ordered 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 SI Jarnail Singh, states that the petitioner has joined investigation.

In view of the above and the petitioner having joined investigation, the order dated 18.08.2021 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**

**21.09.2021**

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| Whether reportable        | : | Yes / No |