

CRM-M-35395 of 2021

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-35395 of 2021

Date of Decision: 06.09.2021

Gurmeet Singh

Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab.

Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present: Mr. S. P. Soi, Advocate for the petitioner.
Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (Oral):

Due to COVID-19 situation, the Court is convened through video conference.

This second petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. is filed seeking anticipatory bail in FIR No. 225 dated 29.9.2020, under Section 61 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914 registered at Police Station Mehatpur, District Jalandhar Rural.

CRM-M-40671 of 2020 was earlier filed by the petitioner through Mr. Rishu Mahajan, Advocate. The said petition was withdrawn and a prayer was made that the petitioner would surrender within one week and apply for regular bail, the same be decided expeditiously. Directions were issued by this court for expeditious disposal of the bail application in case the petitioner surrenders within one week.

This second petition is filed with the change of counsel without there being change in circumstances.

Learned counsel for the petitioner on instructions from his client submits that there was a communication gap with the earlier counsel and the petitioner will now surrender within one week.

Learned counsel for the petitioner restricts his prayer and seeks one week's more opportunity for the petitioner to surrender.

Considering that the prayer has been limited to extension of

time for surrender, the petitioner is granted an opportunity to surrender within one week. In case petitioner applies for regular bail, the court concerned shall decide the regular bail application as expeditiously as possible.

The petition stands disposed of.

[AVNEESH JHINGAN]
JUDGE

6th September, 2021

mk	1. Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes / No
	2. Whether reportable	:	Yes / No