

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

CRM-M-4001-2022 (O&M)

Date of decision: 20.07.2022

Pardeep Kumar Kataria

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARNARESH SINGH GILL

Present:- Mr. N.K. Ganga, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Ashok Singh Chaudhary, Addl. AG Haryana.

HARNARESH SINGH GILL, J. (ORAL)

Through the instant petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C., the petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR No. 23 dated 14.01.2022, registered under Section 61/4/20 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914 (Haryana Amendment Bill 2020), at Police Station Civil Line Sirsa, District Sirsa.

Vide order dated 01.02.2022 passed by a Coordinate Bench, *ad interim* anticipatory bail was granted to the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that pursuant to the aforesaid order dated 01.02.2022, the petitioner has joined the investigation.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from SI Raj Kumar, submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is not required for any further investigation.

I have heard the learned counsel for the parties.

In view of the above, without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and the order dated 01.02.2022 granting *ad interim* anticipatory bail to the petitioner is made absolute, subject to the conditions envisaged in Section 438 (2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

(HARNARESH SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

20.07.2022
Mangal Singh

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