

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

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CRM-M-8151-2019 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 16.05.2022

Arvinder Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURVINDER SINGH GILL

Present: Mr. G.S.Simble, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Tanvir Joshi, AAG, Punjab.

GURVINDER SINGH GILL, J. (Oral)

Today, at the very outset, learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that ever since he brought to the notice of this Court that the Investigating Officer had been demanding a bribe of Rs.50,000/-, as has been recorded in the order dated 31.10.2019, the Police is on an FIR registration spree against the petitioner and had registered more than a dozen cases against him within a spate of 10 days, most of which are under the Excise Act by fabricating a similar story of the accused having run away from the spot.

Learned counsel further submitted that recently he has even been involved in a case pertaining to possession of contraband and in respect of which FIR for offence under the NDPS Act has been lodged against him and he stands arrested. Learned counsel further submitted that since the purpose of filing this petition is more or less defeated and he stands arrested, he may be permitted to withdraw this petition with liberty to surrender before the trial Court and to move an application for grant of regular bail.

In view of the aforesaid submission, the petition is dismissed as withdrawn.

The Investigating Officer is, however, directed to cause the formal arrest of the petitioner since he is stated to be presently confined in connection with FIR No.74 dated 10.05.2022, P.S. Division No.2, District Police Commissionerate, Jalandhar.

It is further directed that consequent upon the arrest of the petitioner in the present case, any application for grant of regular bail, as may be moved by the petitioner before the trial Court, shall be disposed of expeditiously, preferably within a period of one week from filing of such application.

16.05.2022

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(GURVINDER SINGH GILL)
JUDGE

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