

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

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**CRM-M-14760-2021
Date of decision: 07.02.2022**

SANDEEP KUMAR

....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ

Present : Mr. Deepak Goyal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. A.K. Khurana, DAG Punjab.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ. J. (ORAL)

This case has been taken up through Video Conferencing via Webex facility in the light of Pandemic Covid-19 situation and as per instructions.

Prayer in this petition filed under Section 438 CrPC is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.11 dated 11.02.2021 under Section 61 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914, registered at Police Station Khanauri, District Sangrur.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that pursuant to the order dated 01st September 2021, the petitioner has joined investigation and recovery in question has already been effected from the co-accused, who has been granted the concession of regular bail.

Learned State counsel on instructions from ASI Brinder Singh affirms the said statement made by the learned counsel for the petitioner and submits that custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required for the purpose of investigation.

Heard learned counsel for the parties.

Since the petitioner has joined the investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required, the present petition is allowed and the interim order dated 01st September, 2021, is made absolute.

However, if required, the petitioner shall continue to join investigation as and when required to do so and shall abide by the terms and conditions, as laid down under Section 438(2) CrPC.

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

February 07, 2022
S.Sharma(syr)

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	:	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	:	<i>Yes/No</i>