

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

**CRM-M-21161-2021
Date of decision: 14.01.2022**

Daler Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present:- Mr. Veneet Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

(Through video conferencing)

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J. (Oral)

Prayer in this petition is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in FIR No.116 dated 19.09.2020 registered under Section 61 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914 and Section 24 of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 at Police Station Harike, District Tarn Taran.

The operative part of the order dated 27.05.2021, vide which the petitioner has been granted interim bail, is reproduced below:

“Learned Counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the case on the basis of secret information received. The petitioner was not arrested on the spot and no recovery was made from him. The alleged recovery of 17 drums containing 3 lakh liters of lahan was made from vacant land. The petitioner does not have any connection with said land and also the alleged crime. Co-accused Surinder Singh has already been granted interim anticipatory bail by this

Court vide order dated 01.12.2020. The petitioner is ready to join the investigation and his custodial interrogation is not required as the alleged recovery has already been made.

Notice of motion.”

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner, in pursuance to the order dated 27.05.2021, has already appeared before the SHO/Investigating Officer and has joined the investigation.

Learned counsel for the State, on instructions from ASI Satnam Singh, has not disputed the factual position and submits that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is no more required for any further investigation.

In view of the above, the petition is allowed and the interim bail granted to the petitioner, vide order dated 27.05.2021, is made absolute subject to the conditions envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

14.01.2022

Waseem Ansari

**(ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No