

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

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CRM-M-28429 of 2022 (O&M)

DECIDED ON: 12th July, 2022

Balwinder Singh @ Bhinder

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

State of Punjab

.....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN.

Present: Mr. L.S. Sidhu, Advocate for petitioner.

Mr. Sandeep Kumar, DAG Punjab.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (ORAL)

Petitioner is seeking regular bail in case of FIR No.74 dated 7.5.2022, under Section 61 of Punjab Excise Act, 1914, registered at Police Station Gharinda, District Amritsar.

As per the case set up, police acting upon a secret information raided the house of Balwinder Singh @ Bhinder (petitioner), 800 liters of *Lahan* and 40 bottles of illicit liquor were recovered.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that it is a case of false implication. Recovery was implanted. No working *still* was found. The FIR has been registered against petitioner due to his involvement in other cases under the Excise Act.

Learned State counsel opposes the prayer and submits that recovery of 800 liters of *Lahan* and 40 bottles was made. Petitioner is involved in four more FIRs.

The observations made hereinafter shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

No working *still* recovered, the contention of learned counsel for the petitioner that it is a case of false implication due to political rivalry, no further recovery is to be made, conclusion of trial is likely to take time, bail is granted to the petitioner on furnishing surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/ Duty Magistrate concerned.

The petition is allowed.

Since the main case has been decided, the pending application, if any is rendered infructuous.

12th July, 2022

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(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE

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