

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

CRM-M-5607-2023

Date of Decision: 16.05.2023

**HARJINDER KAUR
VS**

..... PETITIONER

STATE OF PUNJAB

..... RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GURBIR SINGH

Present: Mr. Sukhbir Maandi, Advocate for the petitioner.
Ms. Himani Arora, AAG, Punjab.

GURBIR SINGH, J. (ORAL)

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The prayer in the present petition filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C is for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.73, dated 23.04.2022 under Section 61/1/14 of Punjab Excise Act registered at Police Station Beas, District Amritsar.

Vide order dated 03.02.2023, the following order was passed by this Court:-

“Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that as per the allegations in the FIR, a raid was conducted at the house of the petitioner and 30 bottles of illicit liquor were recovered. She was not present there. It cannot be said that she was in conscious possession of the same. The petitioner is not involved in any other case.

Notice of motion.

At the asking of the Court, Mr. Jaiteshwar S. Bhandari, AAG, Punjab, appears and accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State. A copy of the paper book be supplied to him during the course of the day. He seeks some time to file status report.

Adjourned to 10.05.2023.

Meanwhile, in the eventuality of arrest of the petitioner in the instant case, she shall be enlarged on interim bail subject to her furnishing personal bond/surety bond to the satisfaction of Investigating Officer/Arresting Officer. The petitioner shall join the investigation as and when called upon to do so by the Investigating Agency. The petitioner shall abide by the conditions as laid down under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. in letter and spirit. Status report be filed on or before the next date of hearing with advance copy to the counsel opposite. ”

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Gurmeet Singh submits that in compliance of the order dated 03.02.2023, the petitioner has already joined the investigation and she is not required for any custodial interrogation.

In view of above, the order dated 03.02.2023 granting interim bail to the petitioner, is made absolute. The petitioner shall abide by the conditions as laid down under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. in letter and spirit.

Petition is disposed of accordingly.

16.05.2023
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(GURBIR SINGH)
JUDGE

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