

205      IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-55895-2022  
Date of decision: 20.02.2023

*BALVIR SINGH*

*...Petitioner*

V/s

*STATE OF PUNJAB*

*...Respondent*

**CORAM:    HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK MANCHANDA**

Present:      Mr. S.P. Soi, Advocate  
                    for the petitioner.

Mr. Mohit Kapoor, Addl. A. G. Punjab.

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**DEEPAK MANCHANDA J. (ORAL)**

This first petition filed under Section 438 of Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in the event of arrest in FIR No. 229 dated 09.10.2022 registered under Section 61 of Punjab Excise Act at Police Station Shahkot, District Jalandhar.

Short reply by way of affidavit of Gurpreet Singh, PPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub Division Shahkot, District Jalandhar (Rural) on behalf of respondent-State of Punjab has been filed and same is taken on record.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that as per the directions of this Court, the petitioner has joined investigation and he is no more required for further investigation in the present case. It has also been contended that nothing is to be recovered from him.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Salinder Singh, submits that the petitioner has joined investigation and is not required for

further custodial interrogation.

In view of the facts that the petitioner has joined the investigation and is not required for further custodial interrogation, without commenting on the merits of the case, the petition is allowed and order dated 02.12.2022 granting interim bail to the petitioner is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Clauses (i)(ii) and (iii) of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

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(DEEPAK MANCHANDA)  
JUDGE

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