

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-18473-2024
Date of decision: 24.05.2024

SONY @ SONY SINGH ...PETITIONER

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB ...RESPONDENT

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present: - Mr. Shakti Mehta, Advocate
for the petitioner.

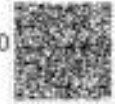
Mr. Adesh Pal Singh, AAG, Punjab.

SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)

By way of present petition filed under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, petitioner seeks anticipatory bail in case FIR (Annexure P-1) as under:

FIR No.	Dated	Section	Police Station
0041	14.03.2024	61 of Excise Act.	Samana, District Patiala, Punjab.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance to the order dated 08.05.2024 passed by this Court, the petitioner has already joined the investigation and as such prayed for confirming the interim bail granted vide order dated 08.05.2024.
3. Learned State counsel, on instructions from ASI Jaswinder Singh, intimates the Court that the petitioner has joined investigation and is neither required for further investigation nor for any custodial investigation.



CRM-M-18473-2024

2

4. During the course of hearing on 08.05.2024 , following order was passed:

“ 2. *Heard.*

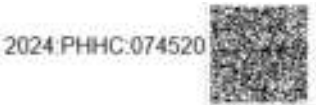
3. *It is, inter alia, contended by learned counsel for the petitioner that the recovery was not effected from the possession of the petitioner nor it was from his premises but the police is implicating him in this case without any basis.*

4. *Learned State counsel, by referring to the reply submitted by the State, admits the fact that the recovery was not effected from the premises of the petitioner but from the bushes near the canal. He submits that the petitioner is facing three other cases.*

5. *Considering these respective submissions and without commenting on the merits of the case at this stage, the petitioner is hereby directed to join investigation within seven days from today and in the event of his arrest, he is ordered to be released on interim bail on his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. He shall also abide by conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.*

6. *Adjourned to 24.05.2024.”*

5. Keeping in view the above submissions made by learned State counsel and the fact that the petitioner had joined the investigation consequent to the order dated 08.05.2024 passed by this Court, interim bail granted vide order dated 08.05.2024 is hereby confirmed, subject to conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. Further the petitioner is directed to join investigation as and when required in future by way of written notice for such purpose to be served by Investigating Officer of this



CRM-M-18473-2024 3

case upon the petitioner; he will not tamper with the evidence nor will influence the witnesses and will not leave the country without prior permission of the Court.

- 6. The petition stands allowed.
- 7. It is made clear that anything contained hereinabove shall not be construed to be an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

24.05.2024
kanika

- | | | |
|-----|----------------------------|--------|
| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |