

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

CRM-M-22434-2023
Date of decision:21.02.2024

Tej Pratap Singh BassiPetitioner

Versus

State of HaryanaRespondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present : Mr. Kunwar Rajan, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Rahul Mohan, Sr. DAG, Haryana.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner is seeking the concession of anticipatory bail in FIR No. 446 dated 18.12.2022 for the offences under Sections 420, 272, 120-B, 467, 468, 471 of the IPC and 61/4/20 of Excise Act registered at Police Station Sadar, District Narnaul.

2. On 04.05.2023, while issuing notice of motion, the following submissions of the learned counsel for the petitioner were noticed:-

“Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the case in hand on the basis of disclosure statement suffered by co-accused Sanjay, who too was nominated as an accused in the disclosure statements of other accused from whom recovery of 12,276 bottles of liquor were apprehended.

Learned counsel further submits that the case of the petitioner is thus, at par with that of co-accused Gaurav Sharma, who has since been

extended the concession of interim bail by this Court vide order dated 24.02.2023.”

3. Vide order dated 07.12.2023, this Court had granted the concession of interim bail to the petitioner and asked him to join investigation.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in compliance of order dated 07.12.2023, the petitioner has joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency.

5. Learned State counsel, on instructions from SI Amardeep does not dispute the factum of the petitioner having joined investigation and cooperated with the investigating agency. He, on further instructions, submits that the petitioner does not have any criminal antecedents and is not required for further investigation much less for his custodial interrogation.

6. In view of the above, the petition is allowed and interim order dated 07.12.2023 is made absolute subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

21.02.2024

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**(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No