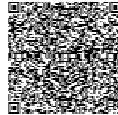


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**IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB AND
HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH**

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CRM-M-56730-2024 (O&M)

Date of decision: 12.12.2024

Lakhwinder Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA

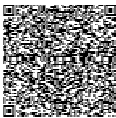
Present:- Mr. Tushar Madaan, Advocate
for the petitioner.

MANISHA BATRA, J. (Oral)

1. The instant petition has been filed by the petitioner under Section 528 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 for quashing of order dated 18.05.2023, passed by the Court of learned Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate, Sri Anandpur Sahib in case titled as ***State of Punjab vs. Lakhwinder Singh***, arising out of FIR No. 0044 dated 25.04.2018, registered under Section 61 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914 at Police Station Nurpur Bedi, District Rupnagar, whereby the petitioner had been declared a proclaimed person.

2. After advancing arguments at length, learned counsel for the petitioner could not point out any lacuna in the impugned order. However, he has submitted that since the petitioner is ready to join the Court proceedings, he may be granted protection for a limited period with liberty to surrender before the learned trial Court and move an appropriate application for grant of bail which may be decided by the learned trial Court expeditiously.

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3. Keeping in view the limited prayer made by the petitioner and the fact that he is ready to join the Court proceedings which would obviously help in speedy conclusion of trial, the present petition is disposed of. The petitioner is granted protection from arrest for a period of one month from today. During this period, the petitioner shall surrender before the learned trial Court and move an application for grant of bail, which will be decided by the learned trial Court within a period of 02 days from its filing.

12.12.2024

Waseem Ansari

(MANISHA BATRA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No