



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-43121-2025
Date of decision: 10.11.2025

RAJEEV

....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR

Present : Mr. Munish Mittal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Jasmine Gill, AAG, Haryana.

YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR. J.(Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 482 of BNSS for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR N51o.159, dated 24.10.2021 registered under Sections 420 and 120B IPC and Section 61 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914 (during investigation, Sections 467, 468 and 471 IPC were added) at Police Station Rewari Sadar District Rewari.

2. On 07.08.2025, following order was passed:-

“The present petition has been filed under Section 482 of BNSS for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR N51o.159, dated 24.10.2021 registered under Sections 420 and 120B IPC and Section 61 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914 (during investigation, Sections 467, 468 and 471 IPC were added) at Police Station Rewari Sadar District Rewari.

2. As per prosecution case, one Canter bearing No.HR-46C-8379 Mark Eicher 1079, was apprehended at Ramdev Hotel, NH-71 on 24.10.2021 and on checking, a total of 3132 bottles of liquor were recovered. The driver, namely, Sumer Singh could not produce any permit or licence for possessing the same and he was arrested. The said driver disclosed that the vehicle is owned by Ram Karan and thereafter, the owner of the vehicle, namely, Ram Karan was



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arrested, who on interrogation suffered disclosure statement dated 27.04.2022 to the effect that two persons, namely, Vineet alias Chhotu and Rajeev alias Bittu (petitioner) had hired his vehicle for transporting the liquor consignment to Rajasthan. Apprehending arrest, petitioner approached the learned trial Court and his application for anticipatory bail has been rejected.

3. Notice of motion for 13.10.2025.

4. Mr. Ramesh Kumar Ambavta, DAG, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent- State. Copy of the petition be supplied to him during course of the day.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner argued that main accused, namely, Sumer Singh as well as Ram Karan have already been released on bail. Liquor was recovered from the possession of the driver, namely, Sumer Singh, who nominated the owner of vehicle Ram Karan as a co-accused. Said Ram Karan disclosed that vehicle was hired by the petitioner and one Vineet alias Chhotu but the disclosure statement is inadmissible in evidence. Learned counsel further contended that nothing is to be recovered from possession of the petitioner as recovery has already been effected. Applicant is ready to join the investigation and to abide by the conditions that may be imposed by the Court and benefit of anticipatory bail be thus extended in his favour.

6. On the other hand, learned State Counsel has opposed the bail and argued that applicant is the main conspirator. He was transporting liquor to Rajasthan and the bottles were bearing fake logo and bar code and his custodial interrogation is essential for further investigation of the case. He prays that the petition be dismissed.

7. In view of the contentions raised by learned counsel for the petitioner and the fact that recovery has already been effected, petitioner is directed to join the investigation and in the event of his arrest, the petitioner shall be released on ad-interim anticipatory bail



to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. However, the petitioner shall join the investigation as and when required by the Investigating Officer. He shall not contact any person associated with the case to dissuade him from the investigation in any manner whatsoever and nor shall leave the country without prior permission of the Court. He shall further comply with the conditions stipulated in Section 482(2) BNSS/438(2) Cr.P.C.

- 3. Today learned State counsel has informed this Court that the petitioner has joined the investigation, in compliance of the order dated 07.08.2025 and is no longer required for further investigation.
- 4. In view of the aforesaid, the order dated 07.08.2025, whereby the petitioner was granted interim anticipatory bail, is hereby made absolute. However, he shall continue to join investigation, if and so required by the Investigating Officer.
- 5. Disposed of.
- 6. Pending misc application (s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

10.11.2025
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(YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned. : Yes/No
Whether Reportable. : Yes/No