IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-36117-2011 (O&M) <u>Date of decision</u>:30.11.2011

Parminder Singh ...Petitioner

Versus

State of PunjabRespondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAKESH KUMAR JAIN

Present: Mr. Sanjay Tangri, Advocate,

for the petitioner.

RAKESH KUMAR JAIN, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner has prayed for pre-arrest bail in a case registered vide FIR No.274 dated 24.07.2003, under Sections 61/1/14 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914 at Police Station Sadar, Jalandhar.

The FIR is of the year 2005, whereas the petitioner has been declared proclaimed offender on 08.07.2006. It is submitted that he could not appear before the learned Trial Court as he was living abroad. He had applied for pre-arrest bail before the learned Trial Court which was dismissed vide order dated 02.11.2011.

After hearing learned counsel for the petitioner and keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the case, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the learned Trial Court that in case of surrender by the petitioner on or before 08.12.2011, his bail application, if so filed, shall be decided on the same day, in accordance with law.

November 30, 2011 vinod*

(RAKESH KUMAR JAIN) JUDGE