

**CRM-M-25038-2017**

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

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**Date of Decision: 31.08.2017**

Gurjeet Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH**

Present: Mr. Jagmeet Singh Moudgill, Advocate,  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Gaurav Garg Dhuriwala, Sr. DAG, Punjab.

**INDERJIT SINGH, J.**

Petitioner-Gurjeet Singh has filed this petition under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (for brevity, 'Cr.P.C.') for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.68 dated 03.07.2017, registered at Police Station Chajjli, District Sangrur, under Section 61 of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914.

Notice of motion was issued in this case. Learned State counsel has put in appearance on behalf of the respondent-State and contested this petition.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned State counsel and have gone through the record.

From the record, I find that the petitioner is stated to have run away from the spot. In the present case, recovery of 120 bottles of liquor has been effected.

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In pursuance of the interim order dated 14.07.2017 passed by this Court, the petitioner has already joined the investigation. He is not required for custodial interrogation. Recovery has already been effected in the present case. Therefore, no useful purpose will be served by sending the petitioner to custody.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the present case; without discussing the facts of the case in minute details and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, I find merit in this petition and the same is allowed. The order dated 14.07.2017, granting interim bail to the petitioner, is made absolute. However, the petitioner shall join the investigation as and when called upon to do so and shall abide by the conditions of Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

**31.08.2017**

parveen kumar

**(INDERJIT SINGH)**  
**JUDGE**

<b>Note:</b>	Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes
	Whether reportable	:	No