

State Vs Surjeet Singh

Present: Sh. Vinod Mehndali, Advocate counsel for
applicant/accused Surjeet Singh.
Sh. Vijay Kumar, Ld. APP for the State.

ORDER:

Heard on the bail application filed on behalf of accused/applicant Surjeet Singh in case FIR No.10 dated 2.3.2024, under Section 61-1-14 Excise Act, P.S. Sri Anandpur Sahib, wherein it is averred that the accused has been falsely implicated in this case; he is innocent and has not committed any offence. Ld. Counsel for the applicant/accused has further submitted that accused-applicant undertakes to appear on each and every date of hearing and not to leave India without prior permission of the court, hence the accused be admitted to bail.

Learned APP for the State has filed reply to the bail application, wherein it is submitted that 25 liters of illicit liquor were recovered from the possession of the accused. Hence, it is submitted that the present bail application of the accused-applicant may be dismissed.

The main file has been minutely perused. The accused is in custody since 2.3.2024. At present the accused/applicant is in judicial custody and no useful purpose will be served by keeping the accused in custody for indefinite period as completion of investigation, submission of challan and conclusion of trial will take time. The alleged recovery has already been effected from the accused. Moreover, it is cardinal principal of the law ***bail is a rule and jail is an exception*** and no useful purpose would be served by keeping the accused behind the bars for any inordinate period. Therefore, the present bail application is allowed and the accused is ordered to be released on bail on his furnishing bail bonds in the sum of ₹ 50,000/- with one surety in the like amount subject to the following **conditions:-**

1. The accused/applicant shall not leave the country without prior permission of the court.
2. The accused/applicant shall attend the court on each and every date of hearing and shall comply with other conditions of the bond executed.
3. The accused/applicant shall not commit any offence similar to the offence, of

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which, he is accused or suspect of the commission of which he is suspected.

4. The accused/applicant shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the court or to any police officer or tamper with the evidence.
5. The accused/applicant and surety shall be bound to intimate the court as and when they change their given addresses.

The requisite bail/surety bonds furnished, which are accepted and attested. Release warrants be issued forthwith. Papers be tagged with the main file/remand papers. Adjourned to 16.3.2024 for date already fixed.

Dated: 12.03.2024
Vinod Kumar-Steno G-II

Jagmilap Singh Khushdil, PCS
Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate,
Sri Anandpur Sahib. (UID No.PB0342)