

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

**CRM-M-4247 of 2015
Decided on: 13.02.2015**

Naginder Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

..... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.M.S. BEDI

Present: Mr. Sandeep Arora, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Mikhail Kad, AAG, Punjab.

M.M.S. BEDI, J (ORAL)

Petitioner has been in custody w.e.f 09.12.2014 in a case registered at the instance of SI Kulwant Singh on the basis of secret information that Harpreet Singh and Ranjit Singh had been using an Innova vehicle driven by the petitioner and were collecting heavy amounts from different people for getting them employment in Maharashtra Police.

So far as petitioner is concerned, the allegations against him is that he was merely a driver of Innova vehicle. He claims that under bona fide belief that the co-accused were police officials, he had been going around with them without any common intention for the alleged crime.

After going through the police file and the statements of witnesses, it transpires that the main culprits are the co-accused of the petitioner who had been gathering money from the people with false promise of getting them recruited. The case of the petitioner is on different footing from his co-accused. He has been in custody from 09.12.2014.

Without expression of any opinion on merit, the petitioner is allowed. Petitioner is order to be released on bail on his furnishing bail bond/surety bond to the satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate, Batala

subject to condition that the petitioner will not indulge in the similar activities during the course of pendency.

This order will not be treated as a precedent in case co-accused of the petitioner file petition for bail.

(M.M.S. BEDI)
JUDGE

February 13, 2015
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