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

**CRM-M-46314-2019 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 31.10.2019**

Anoop Garg

.. Petitioner

Vs.

State of Haryana and another

..Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ BAJAJ

Present: Mr. Vikas Kuthiala, Advocate for the petitioner.

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Manoj Bajaj, J.

Petitioner Anoop Garg has filed this petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail in a case FIR No.348 dated 25.05.2018, under Section 174-A of the Indian Penal Code, registered at Police Station Suraj Kund (Faridabad).

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner is an accused in complaint case No. NACT 5497 of 2015, under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, wherein vide order dated 12.12.2016 (Annexure P-2), he was declared as proclaimed offender. He contends that the petitioner was not aware of this complaint proceedings and, therefore, could not appear before the trial Court. He submits that recently, he acquired knowledge of the case, as the police officials raided his house, however, he was not present there and his family members were apprised about the pendency of his case. He submits that the FIR in question has been registered under Section 174-A IPC only on account of his absence before the trial Court in the said complaint case.

During the course of hearing, it is not disputed that the address

of the petitioner as given in the complaint is the same, which is mentioned in the present petition.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has not been able to give sufficient reason for the absence of the petitioner before the trial Court and, therefore, this Court does not find any reason to extend the extraordinary concession of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner.

The petition is dismissed.

31.10.2019
Jasmine Kaur

(MANOJ BAJAJ)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes
Whether reportable	No