

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

CRM-M-10806 of 2021

DECIDED ON: 12th MARCH, 2021

Deepak Chaudhary

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

State of Haryana

.....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN.

Present: Mr. Navneet Singh, Advocate for petitioner.

Mr. Deepak Bhardwaj, DAG Haryana.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (ORAL)

The matter is taken up for hearing through video conference due to COVID-19 situation.

This petition is filed for grant of regular bail in case of FIR No. 18 dated 12.1.2021 under Sections 420, 467, 468, 471, 511 IPC, 1860, registered at Police Station Murthal Sonapat, District Sonapat.

The FIR was registered on the basis of information given by official of Regional Transport Officer (RTO), Sonipat, alleging that the petitioner had produced a fake receipt for deposit of fine of ₹42,500/-.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has deposited the fine amount. He is in custody since 8.2.2021. The petitioner himself surrendered and no recovery is to be made.

Learned State counsel opposes the bail on instructions from SI Krishan. The contention is that co-accused is yet to be arrested.

The petitioner had himself surrendered and in the meantime, he deposited the fine amount. No recovery is to be made, conclusion of trial is likely to take time. In the facts and circumstances of the case, it would not be appropriate to deprive petitioner of his personal liberty. Bail is granted on furnishing surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Chief Judicial Magistrate/ Duty Magistrate concerned.

The petition is allowed.

It is clarified that the observations made hereinabove shall not be construed as an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.

(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE

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<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>No</i>