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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT  
CHANDIGARH

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Date of decision: 17.10.2023

DEVENDER SINGH

...Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

...Respondent

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJBIR SEHRAWAT**

Present:- Mr. Ravi Malik, Advocate,  
for the petitioner.

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**RAJBIR SEHRAWAT, J. (Oral)**

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C., praying for grant of anticipatory/pre-arrest bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.610 dated 19.07.2023, registered at Police Station Camp Palwal, District Palwal, under Section 420 IPC.

2. It is submitted by counsel for the petitioner that the case against the petitioner is totally false and concocted. The petitioner is not involved in the crime as alleged against him. Even as per the story of prosecution, the petitioner is alleged to have used the registration number plate of vehicle of the complainant on his truck to avoid traffic challans and consequences of other traffic offences. The said truck upon which the registration number plate of the complainant was affixed, has already been taken into police possession. Therefore, nothing is to be recovered from the petitioner. The petitioner is neither owner of the said truck nor was he driving the same at the relevant time. No other case is pending against the

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petitioner. The petitioner shall join investigation as and when called by the police. Therefore, the petitioner deserves to be protected against his arrest.

3. Notice of motion.

4. On the asking of this Court, Mr. Krishan Kumar Chahal, Addl. A. G. Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

5. It is submitted by counsel for the State, being instructed by PSI Pardeep that the petitioner has committed a serious offence by using fake registration number plate on his vehicle. In fact, the truck belonged to one Munesh, which was sold, according to him, to the present petitioner. It was the petitioner, who had indulged in criminal activities. However, it is not disputed that the truck in question and the said number plate have already been taken into police possession. It is also not disputed that there is no other case pending against the petitioner.

6. In view of the above, but without commenting any further on merits of the case, the present petition is allowed. In the event of arrest, the petitioner be released on bail, subject to his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the Arresting/Investigating Officer. However, the petitioner shall join the investigation as and when called upon to do so and shall abide by the conditions as provided under Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

**17.10.2023**

parveen kumar

**(RAJBIR SEHRAWAT)  
JUDGE**

Whether reasoned/speaking?  
Whether reportable?

Yes/No  
Yes/No