

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

CRM-M-24906 of 2021

Date of Decision: 16.08.2021

Vikas Luthra

Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present: Mr. Baltej Singh Sidhu, Senior Advocate with
Mr. Himmat Singh Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioner.
Ms. Monika Jalota, DAG, Punjab.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (Oral):

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

This is a petition for quashing of FIR No. 176 dated 20.7.2020, under Section 420 IPC and Section 7 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (for short, 'the Act') registered at Police Station Kotbhai, District Shri Muktsar Sahib on the basis of compromise.

On the last date, learned counsel for the State sought time to assist the court on the issue that in spite of the petitioner being not a public servant, the matter is covered under the Act.

Today, learned counsel for the State submits that there is a development as Section 8 of the Act has been added.

In view of the changed circumstances, learned counsel for the petitioner seeks permission to withdraw the present petition with liberty to file a fresh one.

Dismissed as withdrawn with liberty as prayed for.

[AVNEESH JHINGAN]

JUDGE

16th August, 2021

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1. Whether speaking/ reasoned
2. Whether reportable

: Yes / No
: Yes / No