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

**CRM-M-27229-2021 (O&M)
Date of decision: 01.02.2022**

Pooja Mahajan

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR JUSTICE ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN

Present: Mr. P.S. Jammu, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Joginder Pal Ratra, DAG, Punjab.

ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN, J.

The petitioner has prayed for quashing of FIR No.187 dated 09.11.2019 for the offences punishable under Section 174-A of the Indian Penal Code ('IPC' for short), registered at Police Station City Gurdaspur, District Gurdaspur and all the subsequent proceedings arising therefrom.

During pendency of FIR No.49 dated 21.03.2017 under Section 420 IPC, registered at Police Station City Gurdaspur, District Gurdaspur, the petitioner was declared a proclaimed offender and present FIR under Section 174-A IPC was registered against him.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the matter has already been amicably settled between the parties in FIR No.49. It is further

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submitted that no other criminal case is pending between the parties and the petitioner is not a proclaimed offender.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from the Investigating Officer, has not disputed the aforesaid fact.

After hearing learned counsel for the parties, I find that no useful purpose would be served in directing the petitioner to face the prosecution in the impugned FIR under Section 174-A IPC, as the matter has already been settled amicably between the parties and affidavit of complainant Jaswinder Singh (Annexure P-3) has already been filed in this regard.

Accordingly, present petition is allowed and FIR No.187 dated 09.11.2019 under Section 174-A IPC, registered at Police Station City Gurdaspur, District Gurdaspur and all the subsequent proceedings arising therefrom are ordered to be quashed qua the petitioner, however, subject to payment of costs of Rs.5,000/- to be deposited with the District Legal Services Authority, Gurdaspur.

[ARVIND SINGH SANGWAN]
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No