

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

CRM-M No.6530 of 2023

Date of decision: 8th February, 2023

Jatinder Singh Dhanda & another

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab & another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Nandan Jindal, Advocate for the petitioners.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

Instant petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of FIR No.18 dated 26.02.2022 (Annexure P-1) under Section 174-A IPC registered at Police Station Sherpur, District Sangrur along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioners submits that subsequent to registration of the FIR in question, with the intervention of well-wishers and respectables, the parties had ironed out their differences and arrived at an amicable settlement, as a result of which criminal complaint filed under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 was dismissed as withdrawn vide order dated 21.01.2023 (Annexure P-4) passed by learned Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Sangrur. He submits that in the circumstances, continuation of

the FIR and consequential proceedings arising therefrom would not serve any useful purpose, and thus, the FIR in question be quashed.

In the light of submissions made by learned counsel representing the petitioners together with the fact that since the criminal complaint filed under Section 138 of the Act itself stands withdrawn, this Court deems it appropriate to quash the criminal proceedings in the instant case. Accordingly, the petition is allowed, and the FIR (Annexure P-1) and all consequential proceedings arising out of it, are quashed.

Needless to say, the parties shall remain bound by the terms of compromise.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

February 8, 2023
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No