

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

CRM-M No.28841 of 2023
Date of decision: 26th July, 2023

Ramesh Kumar

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana & another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. DPS Joura, Advocate for the petitioner.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

The instant petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of FIR No.372 dated 09.06.2022 (Annexure P-3) under Section 174-A IPC registered at Police Station Civil Lines, District Sirsa along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner 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 the petitioner had paid the entire cheque amount in question and subsequently the complaint under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 was withdrawn by the complainant. In support, learned counsel has placed reliance upon order dated 26.11.2022 passed

by learned Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Sirsa. He submits that in the circumstances, continuation of the FIR (Annexure P-3) and consequential proceedings arising therefrom would not serve any useful purpose, and thus, the FIR in question be quashed.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner and perused the relevant material on record.

In the light of submissions made by learned counsel representing the petitioner together with the fact that since the original complaint already stands dismissed as withdrawn, this Court deems it appropriate to quash the criminal proceedings in the instant case.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-3) and all consequential proceedings arising out of it, are quashed.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

July 26, 2023
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No