

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

CRM-M No.44008 of 2023
Date of decision: 4th September, 2023

Anil Kumar Kandhol & another

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana & another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Deep S. Saini, Advocate for the petitioners.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The instant petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of FIR No.721 dated 11.10.2022 (Annexure P-3) under Section 174-A IPC registered at Police Station Panipat City, District Panipat along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom.

2. 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settlement, as a result of which the complaint filed under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 stands withdrawn by the complainant. In support, learned counsel has invited the attention of this Court to order dated 17.10.2022 (Annexure P-4) passed by the Presiding Officer, Daily Lok Adalat, Panipat. 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.

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

4. In the light of submissions made by learned counsel representing the petitioners together with the fact that since the original complaint under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 already stands withdrawn, this Court deems it appropriate to quash the criminal proceedings in the instant case.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-3) and all consequential proceedings arising out of it, are quashed.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

September 4, 2023
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No