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

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CRM-M-57978-2023

Date of Decision : **December 20, 2023**

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.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA AND ANOTHER

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present : Mr. Pankaj Bali, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Bhupender Singh, DAG, Haryana.

KULDEEP TIWARI. J.(Oral)

1. The instant petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of FIR No.276 dated 13.8.2018 (Annexure P-1) under Section 174-A IPC, registered at Police Station Madhuban, District Karnal and all subsequent proceedings arising out thereto.
2. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submits that subsequent to registration of the FIR in question, the parties had settled their differences and have arrived at an amicable settlement, as a result of which the complaint under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881, stood withdrawn by the complainant. In support, learned counsel has drawn the attention of this Court to the order dated 17.12.2018, passed by the learned Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Karnal, Presiding Officer in Daily Lok Adalat. He further submits that in the present circumstances, the

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continuation of the FIR (Annexure P-1) and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom, would not serve any useful purpose, and thus, the same be quashed.

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

4. In the light of submissions made by learned counsel representing the petitioner, together with the fact that since the original complaint has already stands withdrawn, this Court deems it appropriate to quash the criminal proceedings in the instant case.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-1) and all subsequent proceedings arising out of it, are quashed.

(KULDEEP TIWARI)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned. : Yes/No
Whether Reportable. : Yes/No