

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

CRM-M No.60526 of 2023

Date of decision: 2nd December, 2023

Pardeep

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana & another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Sanchit Punia, Advocate for the petitioner.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The instant petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of FIR No.0545 dated 07.10.2023 (Annexure P-1) under Section 174-A of the IPC registered at Police Station City Fatehabad, District Fatehabad along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom including order dated 03.10.2023 (Annexure P-13) vide which the petitioner was declared a proclaimed offender.

2. 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an amicable settlement, as a result of which complaint under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 stood withdrawn. In support, he has placed reliance upon Annexure P-14, which is order dated 07.10.2023 passed by learned Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Fatehabad. Learned counsel submits that in the

circumstances, continuation of the FIR (Annexure P-1) and consequential proceedings arising therefrom would not serve any useful purpose, and thus, the FIR in question be quashed.

3. Notice of motion.

4. On the asking of Court, Ms. Trishanjali Sharma, Dy. Advocate General, Haryana, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent/State.

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

6. In the light of submissions made by learned counsel representing the petitioner coupled 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the fact that since the original complaint under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 already stands withdrawn, this Court deems it appropriate to quash the criminal proceedings in the instant case.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-1) and all consequential proceedings arising out of it including order (Annexure P-13), are quashed.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

December 2, 2023

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