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

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Date of Decision : May 29, 2024

ARVINDER KUMAR

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present : Mr. Sukhandeep Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Raghav Garg, AAG, Punjab.

Ms. Somya Goyal, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

KULDEEP TIWARI, J. (Oral)

1. The instant petition, as cast under Section 482 of the Cr.P.C., proffers the hereinafter extracted relief, as craved by the petitioners, inasmuch as, quashing of the FIR No.0202 dated 20.11.2023, under Section 174-A IPC, registered at Police Station Shahkot, Jalandhar Rural (Annexure P-4), in view of order dated 25.10.2023 (Annexure P-3) passed by the learned Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Jalandhar in complaint bearing No.NACT-4-2019 titled as “Darsho Vs. Arvinder Kumar” under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881, whereby the petitioner was declared as a proclaimed person.
2. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submits that subsequent to registration of the FIR in question, the parties



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had ironed out their differences and 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amicable settlement, as a result of which the complaint under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 stood withdrawn by the complainant.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 appearing for the petitioner has drawn the attention of this Court to the statement dated 4.4.2024, suffered before the learned Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Jalandhar. He submits that in these circumstances, continuation of the FIR (Annexure P-4), besides all the consequential proceedings arising therefrom, would not serve any useful purpose, and thus, the same be quashed.

3. This Court has heard learned counsel for the parties concerned, and has 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by learned counsel representing the petitioner, together with the fact that since the original complaint already stands withdrawn, this Court deems it fit and appropriate to quash the criminal proceedings in the instant case. Accordingly, the petition is **allowed** and the FIR (Annexure P-4), along with all consequential proceedings arising out of it, are, hereby, **quashed**.

(KULDEEP TIWARI)
JUDGE

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