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

CRM-M-22946-2023

Date of Decision : May 07, 2024

SIDHARTH BAJAJ

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present : Mr. Mohit Kakkar, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Yuvraj Shandilya, AAG, Haryana.

KULDEEP TIWARI, J. (Oral)

1. The instant petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of FIR No. 233 dated 3.3.2023, under Section 174-A IPC, registered at Police Station Civil Lines Sirsa, District Sirsa, Haryana and all the subsequent proceedings arising therefrom.

2. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner submits that subsequent to registration of the FIR in question, the parties had ironed out their differences and arrived at an amicable settlement, as a result of which the complaint bearing No.991 of 2022 titled as “**Amit Arora Vs. Sidharth Bajaj**” under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 stood withdrawn by the complainant.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 27.3.2023, suffered before the learned Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Sirsa. He submits that in these circumstances, continuation of the FIR (Annexure P-5), besides all the



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consequential proceedings arising therefrom, would not serve any useful purpose, and thus, the same be quashed.

3. Status report by way of affidavit of Deputy Superintendent of Police (HQ), Sirsa has been filed by the State, which is taken on record. As per the status report, it is clear that the complainant has withdrawn the complaint (supra) vide order dated 27.3.2023.

4. This Court has heard learned counsel for the parties concerned, and has perused the relevant material on record.

5. 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by learned counsel representing the petitioner, together with the fact that since the original complaint already stands withdrawn, this Court deems it fit and appropriate to quash the criminal proceedings in the instant case.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-5) 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