

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

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CRM-M-26770-2024

Date of Decision : **September 27, 2024**

**KHUSHWINDER SINGH**

.....Petitioner

***VERSUS***

**STATE OF PUNJAB**

.....Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI**

Present : Mr. A.K.Khunger, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Raghav Garg, AAG, Punjab.

**KULDEEP TIWARI, J. (Oral)**

1. The instant petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of FIR No. 0030 dated 18.3.2023, under Section 174-A IPC, registered at Police Station Sadar Kotbhai, District Sri Muktsar Sahib alongwith all 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settlement, as a result of which the complaint under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881, stood withdrawn by the complainant.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 26.5.2023, suffered before the learned Judicial Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup>

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Class, Gidderbaha. He submits that in these circumstances, continuation of the FIR (Annexure P-1), 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by learned counsel representing the petitioner, together with the fact that since the original complaint already stands withdrawn, this Court deems it fit and appropriate to quash the criminal proceedings in the instant case.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-1), along with all consequential proceedings arising out of it, are, hereby, **quashed**.

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**(KULDEEP TIWARI)**  
**JUDGE**

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