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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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Date of Decision: 12.08.2025

SANDEEP SINGH

..... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR

Present : Mr. Sukhbir Maandi, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Rahul Jindal, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Abhishek Garg, Advocate for
Mr. Sanchit Malik, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner through instant revision petition is seeking setting aside of impugned judgment dated 12.09.2023 vide which he was held guilty and convicted and sentenced to undergo imprisonment for one year and six months besides fine of Rs.5,000/- as well as judgment dated 21.05.2025 passed by the Appellate Authority vide which appeal preferred against judgment dated 12.09.2023 was dismissed.

2. The petitioner was held guilty and convicted under Section 138 of Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 (for short 'NI Act') by Court of Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Sri Muktsar Sahib and he was sentenced to undergo imprisonment for one year and six months besides fine of Rs.5,000/-. The petitioner challenged the same by way of Criminal



Appeal No.88 of 10.10.2023 which was dismissed but the sentence was reduced from one year and six months to one year besides fine of Rs.5,000/-.

3. Today, learned counsel for the respondent Bank has placed on file a letter issued by Manager of HDFC Bank according to which petitioner accused has repaid the entire cheque amount to the Bank. Learned counsel for the respondent submits that he has no objection in case the offence in question is allowed to be compounded and accused is acquitted of the notice of accusation in view of the settlement arrived at between petitioner and the Bank.

4. The offence under Section 138 of NI Act is compoundable and since the cheque amount stands paid and learned counsel representing the bank has also made a statement that he has no objection in case the offence in question is compounded, the permission to compound the offence is granted and revision petition is accepted. The judgment of conviction dated 12.09.2023 and the impugned judgment dated 21.05.2025 passed by learned Appellate Court are set aside and revisionist accused is acquitted of the notice of the accusation under Section 138 of NI Act.

5. Disposed of.

6. Pending misc. application (s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR)
JUDGE

12.08.2025
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No