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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-21784-2025 in/and
CRA-S-4175-2024 (o&m)
DECIDED ON: 27.05.2025

BALJEET SINGH @ BALJIT SINGH

.....APPLICANT/APPELLANT

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANR.

.....RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP MOUDGIL

Present: Ms. Neha Randhawa, Advocate
for the applicant/appellant.

Mr. Sandeep Singh, AAG Punjab.

SANDEEP MOUDGIL, J (ORAL)

CRM-21784-2025

This is an application under Section 528 of BNSS for placing on record the amended memo of parties by adding the complainant as respondent No.2.

For the reasons mentioned in the application as well as submissions made by learned counsel for the applicant/appellant, the same is allowed.

Amended memo of parties is ordered to be taken on record.

Mr. Sunil Doda, Advocate has put in appearance on behalf of respondent No.2 and filed his vakalatnama, which is taken on record.

On oral request made by learned counsel for the applicant/appellant, main appeal is ordered to be taken on board for hearing.

CRA-S-4175-2024

The present appeal has been filed against the judgment of conviction dated 26.11.2024 and order of sentence dated 29.11.2024 passed by learned Sessions Judge, Fazilka vide which the appellant has been convicted and sentenced to under for a period of 5 years alongwith fine to the tune of Rs.5,000/- under Section 379-B in default thereof further undergo RI for six months, to undergo for a period of 5 years with payment of fine of Rs.5,000/- in default of payment of fine further undergo RI six months under Section 325, to undergo for a period of one month alongwith fine to the tune of Rs. 500/-, in default of payment of fine further undergo RI for 7 days under Section 341 of IPC.

During the pendency of the appeal, the parties have compromised the matter and filed the application CRM-17452-2025 for compounding of offence.

Learned counsel, for the applicant/appellant submits that since the matter has been amicably settled between the parties on the basis of compromise dated 13.02.2025 (Annexure A-1), therefore, the parties may be permitted to compound the offence; and by setting aside the judgments/orders passed by the Courts below, the applicant/appellant be ordered to be acquitted of the charges.

Mr. Sunil Doda, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the complainant/respondent No.2 does not dispute the compromise arrived at between the parties. He has expressed his no objection for compounding of the offence as prayed by the counsel for the applicant/appellant.

In view of the above, finding the prayer of the applicant/appellant to be genuine and in view of the fact that the matter has been amicably settled

between the parties, this Court finds that it would not be unjustified if the offence, for which the applicant/appellant has been convicted, is permitted to be compounded.

Accordingly, the application bearing No.CRM-17452-2025, is allowed. Necessary permission for compounding of offence under Section 379-B, 325 and 341 of IPC, for which the applicant/appellant was convicted and sentenced by the trial Court, is granted. As a result of compounding, the judgment of conviction dated 26.11.2024 and order of sentence dated 29.11.2024 passed by learned Sessions Judge, Fazilka, are hereby quashed qua the applicant/appellant.

The applicant/appellant is ordered to be released forthwith in case he is not required in any other case.

The appeal stands disposed off, accordingly.

Pending application(s), if any shall disposed off, accordingly.

27.05.2025

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**(SANDEEP MOUDGIL)
JUDGE**

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>