

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

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2026.PHHC.074647

**CRR-2601-2025 (O&M)****Date of decision: 12.05.2026****Mewa Singh****...Petitioner****Versus****State of Haryana and another****...Respondents****CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA**

Present:- Mr. Manish Bhoria, Advocate and
Mr. Akash Mehra, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Neeraj Poswal, AAG, Haryana.

None for respondent No. 2.

MANISHA BATRA, J. (Oral)

1. The present revision petition has been filed against the judgment of conviction and order on quantum of sentence, both dated 11.11.2022, passed by the Court of learned Judicial Magistrate First Class, Fatehabad in criminal complaint bearing CIS No. NACT-154-2016, titled as **HDFC Bank Ltd. v. Mewa Singh**, filed under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 (for short 'N. I. Act'), whereby the petitioner was held guilty for commission of aforementioned offence and was sentenced to undergo simple imprisonment for a period of one year and to pay fine of Rs.20,00,000/- to respondent No. 2/complainant; as well as against the judgment dated 11.09.2025, whereby the appeal of the petitioner had been dismissed by the Court of learned Additional Sessions Judge, Fatehabad.

2. Today, learned counsel for the petitioner has made a statement so as not to press the present revision against the judgment of conviction, passed by the trial Court, as well as the judgment passed by the appellate Court. Learned counsel

confines his prayer against the order of sentence only. It is further submitted that petitioner is not the previous convict nor any other case is pending against him and so looking into these circumstances, the sentence of the petitioner may be reduced to the period already undergone by him.

3. Learned State Counsel has filed the custody certificate of the petitioner, according to which, the petitioner has already undergone actual sentence of 10 months and 01 day out of total sentence of one year as awarded by the trial Court and upheld by the appellate Court and he is not involved in any other case.

4. After hearing the counsel for the parties, I uphold the judgments of conviction passed by the Courts below as the same are based on appreciation of prosecution evidence, proving guilt of the petitioner, however, considering the fact that the petitioner has faced the agony of protracted trial and he has already undergone actual sentence of 10 months and 01 day and is not involved in any other case, which shows that he has improved his character and has joined the mainstream of the society, the order on quantum of sentence dated 11.11.2022 is modified to the extent that the same is reduced to the period already undergone by him.

5. The petitioner is directed to be released from custody forthwith, if not required in any other case.

6. Let a copy of this order be sent forthwith to Jail Superintendent as well as the Court concerned for compliance.

7. Liberty is granted to respondent No. 2/complainant to avail his legal remedies in accordance with law for recovery of compensation amount from the petitioner.

12.05.2026

Waseem R. Ansari

(MANISHA BATRA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No