



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

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**CRM-M-5108-2022
Date of decision: 04.09.2025**

KRISHAN LALPetitioner

VERSUS

U.T. CHANDIGARH AND OTHERSRespondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ

Present: - Mr. Balwinder Singh, Legal Aid Counsel
for the petitioner.

Mr. Vaibhav Mittal, Addl, Public Prosecutor
for respondent-U.T. Chandigarh.

Mr. Surjeet Bhadu, Advocate with
Mr. Veer Singh, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

Prayer made in the present petition is for seeking quashing of the complaint dated 20.04.2019 under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 and further for quashing of the summoning order dated 22.04.2019 passed by the Judicial Magistrate First Class, Chandigarh.

Since there is no representation on behalf of the petitioner, Mr. Balwinder Singh, Advocate who is present in the Court, is appointed as Legal Aid Counsel to assist this Court.

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Counsel for the respondent has handed over today in Court, a copy of the order dated 30.04.2025 passed by the Judicial Magistrate First Class, Chandigarh in case No. NACT/4939/2019 as per which the matter has already been settled amongst the parties and the disputed amount already stands paid by the accused to the complainant.

Consequently, the petitioner has been acquitted of the charge of offences punishable under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881.

Legal Aid Counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner does not dispute the aforesaid assertion made by the Counsel for the respondent-complainant.

In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of as having been rendered infructuous.

A copy of this order be sent to the High Court Legal Service Committee for information and necessary action.

SEPTEMBER 04, 2025*Vishal Sharma***(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE**

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