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

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Date of Decision: 10.02.2026

Amandeep Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BHARDWAJ

Present: Mr. Bharat Puri, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr.K.D.Sachdeva, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Amit Dhawan, Advocate, for respondent No.2.

Rajesh Bhardwaj, J. (ORAL)

1. Prayer in the present petition is for quashing of the impugned order dated 28.04.2025 (Annexure P-3), in a case FIR No.24 dated 16.02.2024, under Sections 406 and 420 IPC, registered at Police Station Division No.1, District Police Commissionerate, Jalandhar, vide which the petitioner has been declared proclaimed person.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. It is submitted that the petitioner was not aware of the registration of the FIR against him as he was residing in Australia since the year 2023. He submits that only on 03.03.2025 he came to know about the registration of the FIR, when he came to India. He further submits that however, learned trial Court declared him as proclaimed person vide order dated 28.04.2025 in blatant violation of the mandatory provisions of Section 82 Cr.P.C. It is contended that even otherwise, both the parties have resolved their inter-se dispute by way of amicable settlement and this Court vide order of even date quashed the FIR



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on the basis of compromise. It is further submitted that the petitioner's absence was neither deliberate nor intentional, but occurred due to circumstances beyond his control. The petitioner is now willing to appear before the Court concerned and comply with any conditions imposed by the Court. Accordingly, it is prayed that the order dated 28.04.2025 declaring the petitioner a proclaimed person be set aside.

3. Learned State counsel controverts the submissions made on behalf of the petitioner and submits that the petitioner deliberately avoided the process of law and remained absconding despite issuance of warrants. It is contended that due procedure under Section 82 Cr.P.C. was duly followed and sufficient opportunities were afforded to the petitioner to appear before learned trial Court.

4. Learned counsel for respondent No.2 affirms the factum of compromise arrived at between the parties.

5. After hearing learned counsel for the parties and perusing the record, it is apparent that the petitioner was declared a proclaimed person vide order dated 28.04.2025 due to his non-appearance. The FIR in itself has been quashed by this Court on the basis of compromise vide order of even date passed in CRM-M-8904-2026. Without entering into the merits or examining the authenticity of the grounds urged for the petitioner's absence, this Court deems it appropriate to set aside the order dated 28.04.2025 declaring the petitioner a proclaimed person. Accordingly, the said order is set aside, subject to the petitioner depositing a sum of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousands only) as costs with **Day Care Centre for Elderly Disabled in home for Old & Destitute People, Sector-15, Chandigarh** within seven



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days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. The petitioner is directed to appear before the trial Court within a period of ten days from the date of receipt of copy of this order and file an appropriate application alongwith receipt of costs of Rs.50,000/-. The petitioner will have protection from arrest till ten days from the date of receipt of copy of this order.

7. Needless to say that in case the petitioner fails to comply with the abovesaid direction, this order would be of no avail to him and the order dated 28.04.2025 will come in force and the present petition shall be deemed to have been dismissed.

8. Petition stands disposed of in abovesaid terms.

10.02.2026

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Whether Speaking/Reasoned
Whether Reportable

(RAJESH BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE

: Yes/No
: Yes/No