

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

**Criminal Misc. No. M-21628 of 2015
Date of Decision:-28.8.2015**

Satpal Singh and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARI PAL VERMA

1. *Whether reporters of local newspapers may be allowed to see judgment?*
2. *To be referred to reporters or not?*
3. *Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest?*

Present:- Mr. B.S. Sidhu, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Sultan Singh Gill, DAG Punjab.

HARI PAL VERMA J.(Oral)

Prayer in the present petition is for quashing of FIR No.82 dated 2.7.2010, under Sections 406 and 498-A IPC, registered at Police Station Division No.2, Jalandhar (Annexure P-1) alongwith all consequential proceedings on the basis of compromise dated 11.6.2015 (Annexure P-2).

Vide order dated 9.7.2015, this Court has directed the parties to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate/trial Court to get their statements recorded and the learned Magistrate was directed to forward a report about the genuineness of the compromise to this Court.

In compliance of the order dated 9.7.2015, the parties have

appeared before the learned Magistrate on 21.7.2015 for getting their statements recorded.

The report dated 23.7.2015 received from the learned Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Jalandhar, reveals that the compromise effected between the parties is with their free will and the same is genuine, voluntary, without any coercion, threat and undue pressure from any quarter.

Learned counsel for the parties submit that in view of the compromise executed between the parties, the petitioner No.1-Satpal Singh and respondent No.2-Balwinder Kaur are now residing at husband and wife.

Learned State counsel does not dispute the aforesaid factual position, rather admit the factum of compromise effected between the parties.

Heard.

Since the parties have entered into a compromise and learned Magistrate has recorded their statements followed by his report, continuation of the trial arising out from the impugned FIR and consequential proceedings would be sheer abuse of the process of law since chances of the conviction are bleak.

Keeping in view the factum of compromise effected between the parties and the law laid down by this Court in the case of **Kulwinder Singh and others vs. State of Punjab and another 2007(3) RCR (Crl.) 1052 (P & H)**, this petition is accepted and FIR No.82 dated 2.7.2010, under Sections 406 and 498-A IPC, registered at Police Station Division No.2, Jalandhar and the consequential proceedings arising therefrom are

hereby quashed qua petitioners.

The petition is disposed of.

August 28, 2015
Vijay Asija

(*HARI PAL VERMA*)
JUDGE