

IN THE PUNJAB & HARYANA HIGH COURT AT CHANDIGARH

Date of decision : 29.01.2015

1. CRM-M-25646-2014

Amandeep Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

... Respondents

2. CRM-M-30345-2014

Sukhwant Singh and another

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE REKHA MITTAL

Present: Mr.Avtar Singh Bhatti, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr.P.S.Madahar, AAG, Punjab.

Mrs.Bandana Dogra, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

REKHA MITTAL, J.(ORAL)

By way of this order, I shall dispose of both the aforesaid criminal petitions together pertaining to the same incident relating to FIR No.13 dated 02.05.2010 registered in Police Station Garhdiwala, District Hoshiarpur.

Vide CRM-M-25646-2014, petitioner, namely, Amandeep Singh has prayed for quashing of FIR No.13 dated 02.05.2010 for offence under Sections 498-A IPC (Section 406 IPC added later) registered in Police Station Garhdiwala, District Hoshiarpur and proceedings emanating therefrom on the basis of compromise Annexure P2 effected between the parties.. In CRM-M-30345-2014, petitioners, namely, Sukhwant Singh and Sukhvir Kaur have prayed for quashing of the said FIR.

The parties were directed to appear before the trial Court to get their statements recorded with regard to genuineness of compromise.

A report has been submitted by the Judicial Magistrate Ist Class, Dasuya, wherein it has been reported that statements of the petitioners and respondent No.2 (complainant) have been recorded and the statements made by the parties in the Court reveal that they have voluntarily entered into a compromise with an intention to live in peace and harmony.

Counsel for the State has not disputed correctness of assertions of the petitioners that the matter has been settled by way of compromise between the parties.

I have heard counsel for the parties and perused the case file.

A perusal of allegations in the FIR reveals that the present case squarely falls in the category of cases which can be quashed by the High Court, in exercise of its inherent power under Section 482 of the Code. Keeping in view the authoritative enunciation of law laid down by Hon'ble the Supreme Court of India in ***Gian Singh v. State of Punjab and another, 2012(4) R.C.R. (Criminal) 543*** and in the light of facts and circumstances of the present case, this Court is of the considered opinion that continuation

of criminal proceedings would amount to abuse of process of law and it is expedient in the interest of justice that criminal proceedings are put to an end.

In view of what has been discussed hereinabove, the petition is allowed and FIR No.13 dated 02.05.2010 for offence under Sections 498-A IPC (Section 406 IPC added later) registered in Police Station Garhdiwala, District Hoshiarpur and proceedings emanating therefrom are ordered to be quashed, qua the petitioners.

(REKHA MITTAL)
JUDGE

January 29, 2015.

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