

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

**Criminal Misc. No. M-25887 of 2015
Date of Decision: 28.09.2015**

Neelu Ram

...Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab & another

...Respondent(s)

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. Prashant Bansal, Advocate for the petitioner (s).

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

Mr. Rahul Gautam, Advocate for respondent no.2.

HARI PAL VERMA J.(Oral)

Prayer in this petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. is for quashing of FIR No.68 dated 15.5.2015 under Sections 406/420 IPC registered at Police Station Fatehgarh Sahib (Annexure P-1) on the basis of compromise dated 6.6.2015 (Annexure P-2).

This Court vide order dated 6.8.2015 had directed the parties to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate/trial Court to get their statements recorded with regard to the compromise dated 6.6.2015 (Annexure P2) and the Illaqa Magistrate/trial Court was directed to submit its report.

Pursuant to the aforesaid order dated 6.8.2015, the parties have appeared before Civil Judge (Jr. Divn.)-cum-Judicial

Magistrate Ist Class, Fatehgarh Sahib and have got their statements recorded. On the basis of the statements so recorded, learned Magistrate has forwarded his report dated 25.8.2015 to the effect that the compromise is genuine, voluntary and without any coercion or undue influence.

Learned counsel for respondent no.2 does not dispute the factum of compromise and has no objection to the FIR being quashed.

There is nothing on record to doubt the genuineness of the compromise, as arrived between the parties. Thus, no useful purpose would be served to continue with the proceedings in the instant FIR.

Accordingly, following the principles laid down by the Full Bench judgment of this Court in **Kulwinder Singh and others v. State of Punjab and another**, 2007 (3) RCR (Criminal) 1052 (P&H), as approved by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in **Gian Singh vs. State of Punjab and others**, (2012)10 SCC 303, this petition is allowed and FIR No.68 dated 15.5.2015 under Sections 406/420 IPC registered at Police Station Fatehgarh Sahib (Annexure P-1) and subsequent proceedings arising therefrom are quashed, *qua* the petitioner, in view of compromise dated 6.6.2015 (Annexure P-2).

September 28, 2015
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(HARI PAL VERMA)
JUDGE