

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

CrI. Misc. No. M-42519 of 2014

Date of decision : 27.02.2015

Tarunjit Singh Bedi & othersPetitioners

versus

State of Punjab & another ...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI

Present: Mr. G.S. Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. D.S. Virk, AAG, Punjab.

RITU BAHRI , J. (Oral)

Quashing of the FIR No.33 dated 08.06.2013 Sections 498-A, 406, 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station Women Cell, Bathinda (Annexure P-1) and its consequential proceedings on the basis of compromise, is being sought.

The FIR was registered on a statement made by Vanita-respondent No.2/complainant with the allegations that the marriage of the complainant was solemnised with Tarunjit Singh-petitioner No.1 on 25.11.2009 and the parents of the complainant spent Rs.25 lacs on the marriage as per the demand of the accused persons. Thereafter, the complainant was harassed for bringing more dowry.

After registration of the FIR, the dispute has now been amicably resolved between the parties and as per the compromise (Annexure P-2). At the time of registration of the FIR, petitioner No.1 was in Muscat (Oman) and was serving as Scheduling & Planning Engineer with Bahwan Engg. Company LLC (BEC) Muscat. On

coming back to India on 05.05.2014, he was arrested and his original passport was taken into custody by the police. Thereafter, the petitioner filed an application in the Court of JMIC Bathinda, which was rejected vide order dated 20.05.2014 and thereafter petitioner No.1 filed a Criminal Revision No.53 dated 23.05.2014. During the pendency of the above said criminal revision a compromise was affected between the parties.

In compliance of the order dated 12.12.2014, status report has been received from the Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Bathinda and the statement of the complainant-Vanita has been recorded on 09.01.2015. As per the compromise she has received Rs.5 lacs and the complainant and petitioner No.1 filed a joint petition under Section 13-B of the Hindu Marriage Act for divorce. She has received remaining amount of Rs.6 lacs and nothing is due and she has no objection if the present FIR is quashed. Statement of the petitioners has also been recorded to the same effect.

Consequently, in view of the status report and in view of the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the case of **Madan Mohan Abbot vs. State of Punjab 2008(2) RCR (Criminal) 429**, the law laid down by the Full Bench of this Court in the case of **Kulwinder Singh and Ors. vs. State of Punjab and another 2007(3) RCR (Crl.) 1052**, no useful purpose would be served in prolonging the litigation.

Accordingly, FIR No.33 dated 08.06.2013 Sections 498-

A, 406, 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station Women Cell, Bathinda (Annexure P-1), is quashed with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom qua petitioners.

The petition stands disposed of qua petitioners.

27.02.2015
Vinay

(RITU BAHRI)
JUDGE