

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

**Criminal Misc. No. M-9933 of 2015
Date of Decision:-08.5.2015**

Suneet Kumar Khurana and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...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. Gaurave Bhayyia, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. R.S. Nain, AAG Punjab.

Mr. Rajesh Kapila, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

HARI PAL VERMA J.(Oral)

Prayer in the present petition is for quashing FIR No.332 dated 6.10.2013, under Sections 406 and 498-A IPC, registered at Police Station City, Ferozepur, District Ferozepur (Annexure P-1) on the basis of compromise dated 19.3.2015 (Annexure P-2).

In compliance of the order dated 27.3.2015, this Court has directed the parties to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate for recording their respective statements with regard to compromise/settlement. Pursuant thereto, the parties have appeared before the learned

Magistrate on 01.4.2015 for getting their statements recorded.

The report received from the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Ferozepur, reveals that the statements could not be recorded on account of some confusion.

Vide order dated 1.5.2015 of this Court, the matter was referred to the Mediation and Conciliation Center of this Court and pursuant of the said order, a report dated 1.5.2015 has been received from the quarter concerned, which reveals that the compromise effected between the parties is voluntarily and the same is genuine.

Learned State counsel as well as learned counsel for respondent No.2-complainant 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 the Mediator, Mediation and Conciliation Center has recorded their statements followed by her 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 dated 01.5.2015 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 (CrI.) 1052 (P & H)**, this petition is accepted and the FIR No.332 dated 6.10.2013, under Sections 406 and 498-A IPC, registered at Police Station City, Ferozepur, District Ferozepur and the consequential

proceedings arising therefrom are hereby quashed.

May 08, 2015
Vijay Asija

(*HARI PAL VERMA*)
JUDGE