

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-14993 of 2015
Date of Decision: 02.09.2016

Lalit Mehra and another

.....Petitioners

Vs.

State of Punjab and another

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI

Present:- Mr.Sandeep Arora, Advocate, for the petitioners.

Ms.Manpreet Dhaliwal, AAG Punjab.

Mr.G.S.Rawat, Advocate, for respondent No.2.

RITU BAHRI, J. (ORAL)

The instant petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for quashing of FIR No.91 dated 25.11.2014, for the offence under Sections 406, 498-A,323,120-B IPC registered at Police Station Women Cell, Jalandhar, along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom, on the basis of compromise dated 06.02.2015 (Annexure P-2).

It was alleged by the complainant that since the beginning of the marriage, the behaviour of family members of the petitioner was rude towards her. They were not satisfied with the dowry articles brought by her at the time of marriage. Besides, they used to illtreat and taunt her for bringing inadequate dowry. They were maltreating, torturing and beating the complainant/respondent No.2 with a view to compel her to bring more dowry from her parents as they were not satisfied with the quality and quantity of the dowry and article given by her parents. The family members

of in-laws were demanding Rs.2 Lacs from parents of complainant and on refusing the same, complainant and her husband were thrown out from the house. Now they were living separately. On the intervention of sister-in-law of the complainant, husband/petitioner No.1 had gone to settle the matter in his own house but he had not returned to the house where they were residing separately. Complainant and his family members had gone to meet the petitioner No.1 but accused did not allow to meet him. On this background, the FIR was registered.

During the pendency of the trial, the matter has been resolved between the petitioner and respondent No.2-,Palvi vide compromise deed dated 06.02.2015 (Annexure P-2).

In compliance with the order dated 02.08.2016 passed by this Court, the parties got recorded their statements before the trial Court. Report from the JMIC, Jalandhar, has been received in this regard. As per report, Palvi-complainant and accused-petitioners appeared before the trial Court on 19.08.2016 for getting their statements recorded in support of the compromise. In this regard statements of complainant- Palvi and accused-petitioners were recorded to the effect that they have compromised the matter and Palvi-complainant has no objection if the present FIR is quashed against these accused/petitioners. Statements of accused-petitioners were also recorded to the same effect. In view of separate statements of the parties, the Court is satisfied that the compromise is valid and genuine one.

Consequently, in view of the status report and 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

of Punjab and another 2007(3) RCR (Cr1.) 1052, this Court is of the view that no useful purpose would be served in prolonging the litigation.

Accordingly, FIR No.91 dated 25.11.2014, for the offence under Sections 406, 498-A,323,120-B IPC registered at Police Station Women Cell, Jalandhar, is quashed along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom qua the petitioner.

The petition stands disposed of accordingly.

(RITU BAHRI)
JUDGE

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