

256 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

C.R.M-M No.1880 of 2016 (O&M)

Date of Decision : 30.11.2016

Dalbir Singh and others

..... Petitioners

Versus

The State of Punjab and another

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY TEWARI

Present : Mr. Vijay Rana, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. K.S.Pannu, DAG, Punjab.

AJAY TEWARI, J. (Oral)

On 16.09.2016 the following order was passed :-

“The present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of Cross version lodged vide DDR No. 14 dated 12.05.2015 under Sections 326, 324, 323, 34 of IPC in case F.I.R. No. 23 dated 12.05.2015 at P.S. Khilchian, District Amritsar and all other consequential proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise effected between the parties.

Notice could not be issued to respondent No.2 as process fee was not filed.

Let fresh notice to respondent no. 2 be issued.

To come up on 30.11.2016.

Meanwhile, the parties are directed to be present before the Trial Court on 07.10.2016 or on any other date convenient to the Court for recording their statements with regard to compromise. The Court is directed to record the statements of both the parties to its satisfaction to know its genuineness that the statements are not the result of any pressure or coercion in any manner. The Court is further directed to send report along with the statements of the parties with regard to validity or

otherwise of the compromise effected between the parties and also intimate whether any criminal case and proclamation proceedings is pending against either of the parties before the next date of hearing.

A photocopy of this order be placed on the file of other connected case.”

Thereafter, the report of the Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate, Baba Bakala Sahib dated 12.10.2016 has been received whereby she has mentioned that the parties had appeared before her and had attested to the fact that a compromise has indeed taken place between them and that the compromise has been executed voluntarily and without any pressure.

Learned Deputy Advocate General has also accepted this fact.

The Supreme Court in **Gian Singh v. State of Punjab and another** reported as 2012(4) RCR(Criminal) 543 has discussed in detail the inherent powers of High Court in quashing a criminal proceeding or FIR or complaint where the parties have entered into compromise except the cases which involve offences such as murder, rape dacoity etc. as such offences are not private in nature and have serious impact on society.

In view of the above judicial pronouncement, I am of the considered opinion that continuation of criminal proceedings between the parties would be an abuse of the process of law and the present compromise is for their benefit and will bring peace and harmony between them.

Consequently, this petition is allowed and the above said DDR, FIR and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom are quashed qua the petitioners.

Since the main case has been decided, the pending Criminal Misc. Application, if any, also stands disposed of.

30.11.2016

Pooja sharma-I

Whether speaking/reasoned

Whether Reportable :

(AJAY TEWARI)

JUDGE

Yes/No

Yes/No