

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

**CRM No. M-29000 of 2016
Date of decision: 27.10.2016**

Jatinderjit Singh and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents

CORAM:HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI

Present: Mr. Mohit Garg, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Mr. A.P.S. Gill, AAG, Punjab.

Ritu Bahri, J.

Quashing of FIR No. 33 dated 23.04.2012, under Sections 406/498-A IPC, registered at Police Station, Longowal, District Sangrur (Annexure P-1), is sought on the basis of compromise dated 02.08.2016 (Annexure P-2) effected between the parties.

The F.I.R was registered on the basis of complaint made by Harpreet Kaur-respondent No.2 to the effect that her marriage was solemnized with Jatinderjit Singh-petitioner No.1 on 19.02.2007 as per Sikh rites and rituals. However, soon after the marriage, her in-laws started harassing and humiliating the complainant on the pretext of bringing insufficient dowry. She was also given beatings by them. In this background, the FIR was registered.

During the pendency of trial, with the intervention of respectable persons, the matter has been compromised between the parties vide compromise deed dated 02.08.2016 (Annexure P-2).

In compliance with the order dated 22.08.2016 passed by this

Court, parties have got recorded their statements before the trial Court. In this regard, a status report has been received from the Judicial Magistrate Ist Class, Sangrur. As per report, Harpreet Kaur-complainant (respondent No.2) made her statement on 13.09.2016 to the effect that she has compromised the matter with accused-petitioners at her own free will and without any pressure or coercion. She has no objection, if the aforesaid FIR is quashed. Joint statement of Jatinderjit Singh, Bhagatpal Kaur, Premjit Kaur and Dev Singh-petitioners was also recorded to the same effect. In view of separate statements given by the parties, this 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 Bench of this Court in the case of Kulwinder Singh and Ors. vs. State of Punjab and another 2007(3) RCR (CrL.) 1052, this Court is of the view that no useful purpose would be served in prolonging the litigation.

Accordingly, FIR No. 33 dated 23.04.2012, under Sections 406/498-A IPC, registered at Police Station, Longowal, District Sangrur, is quashed with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom qua the petitioners.

The petition stands disposed of accordingly.

27.10.2016
ajp

(RITU BAHRI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No