

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

CRM-M-28401 of 2015

Date of decision: 19.01.2016

**Ravinder Kumar Laroia @ Ravi
and another**

-----Petitioner (s)

V/s

State of Punjab & Others

-----Respondent(s)

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:- None for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Sultan Singh Gill, DAG, Punjab.

HARI PAL VERMA, J.(Oral)

Prayer in this petition is for quashing of FIR No.197, dated 13.11.2014, for the offences punishable under Sections 120-B, 406 and 420, IPC, registered at Police Station, Navi Baradari, District Jalandhar City, and all the consequential proceedings arising therefrom, on the basis of the compromise dated 12.08.2015 (Annexure P-2).

This Court vide order dated 24.08.2015 had directed the parties to appear before the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Jalandhar on 16.09.2015 to get their statements recorded with regard to the compromise and the learned Magistrate was directed to submit his/her report along with the copies of the statements.

Pursuant to the aforesaid order dated 24.08.2015, the parties have appeared before learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Jalandhar and got their statements recorded. On the basis of the statements so recorded, learned Magistrate has forwarded his report dated 28.09.2015 to the effect that the parties have willfully settled their differences and reached at bona fide compromise without any pressure and the same is genuine.

The statement of the complainants-respondents No.2 & 3, namely, Narinder Maheshwari aged 50 years and Deepa Maheshwari aged 47 years respectively, read as under:-

“Due to intervention of the respectables of the area, we have arrived at compromise with accused Ravinder Kumar Laroiya @ Ravi S/o Sh. Ram Nirranjan Laroiya and accused Sukhwinder Singh S/o Sh. Inder Singh, voluntarily and without any pressure from any side. We have no objection if the FIR No.197 dated 13.11.2014 under Sections 406, 420, 120-B IPC, P.S. Nawi Baradari, Jalandhar is quashed by the Hon'ble High Court.

RO & AC
Sd/- Narinder Maheshwari
Sd/-Deepa Maheshwari

Sd/-
(Kewal Krishan, PCS)
Chief Judicial Magistrate,
Jalandhar/dt. 16.09.2015”

Apart from the statement of the complainants-respondents No.2 and 3, whereby they have shown no objection to the FIR being quashed, there is nothing on record to doubt the genuineness of the compromise, as arrived between the parties. Thus, no useful purpose would be served to continue with the proceedings in the instant FIR.

Learned counsel for the State does not dispute the factum of compromise entered between the parties.

Accordingly, following the principles laid down by the Full Bench judgment of this Court in **Kulwinder Singh and others v. State of Punjab and another, 2007 (3) RCR (Criminal) 1052 (P&H)**, as approved by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in **Gian Singh vs. State of Punjab and others, (2012)10 SCC 303**, this petition is allowed and FIR No.197, dated 13.11.2014, for the offences punishable under Sections 120-B, 406 and 420, IPC, registered at Police Station, Navi Baradari, District Jalandhar City, and all the consequential proceedings arising therefrom, are quashed, qua the petitioners, in view of the compromise dated 12.08.2015 (Annexure P-2).

19.01.2016
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[HARI PAL VERMA]
JUDGE