

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

Crl. Misc. M-42571 of 2015 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 19.10.2016.

Gautam Deep and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. H.S. Thaira, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Mikhail Kad, AAG Punjab
for respondent No.1-State.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)

Mr. H.S. Sidhu, Advocate, has put in appearance on behalf of respondent No.2 and filed his vakalatnama, which is taken on record.

This petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure seeking quashing of FIR No.103 dated 10.06.2015 registered under Section 498-A of Indian Penal Code at Police Station Garhshankar, District Hoshiarpur (Annexure P/1) and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom in view of the compromise (Annexure P/2).

The FIR has been registered on the statement of complainant-Gurbax Kaur on the allegations that after solemnization of marriage the accused-petitioners started taunting her for not giving any dowry and for not solemnizing the marriage as per their status. Now with the intervention of respectable persons, the matter has been amicably compromised between the

parties and they have resolved their disputes and differences.

Keeping in view the fact that the parties have entered into a compromise, they were directed to appear before the Illaqua Magistrate for getting their statements recorded in support of the compromise. In pursuance of the direction, a report has been received from Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate at Garhshankar, stating that the compromise arrived at between the parties is without any pressure or coercion from any one and the same is genuine one.

Learned Assistant Advocate General, Punjab, on instructions from the Investigating Officer and learned counsel for complainant-respondent No.2 admit the factum of compromise and submit that in case the parties have indeed settled their matrimonial dispute, the State would have no objection to the quashing of the FIR, in view of the law laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioners as well as learned Assistant Advocate General, Punjab and learned counsel for complainant-respondent No.2 and have gone through the record.

In a decision, based on compromise, none of the parties is a loser. Rather, a compromise not only brings peace and harmony between the parties to a dispute, but also restores tranquility in the society. After considering the nature of offences allegedly committed and the fact that both the parties have amicably settled their matrimonial dispute, continuance of criminal prosecution would be an exercise in futility, as the chances of ultimate conviction are bleak.

Consequently, keeping in view the fact that the dispute has

been amicably settled and in view of the law laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in **Gian Singh Versus State of Punjab and another, 2012 (4) RCR (Cr.) 543**, this petition is allowed and FIR No.103 dated 10.06.2015 registered under Section 498-A of Indian Penal Code at Police Station Garhshankar, District Hoshiarpur and all subsequent proceedings arising out of the same are quashed.

The petition stands disposed of.

19.10.2016

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(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes
Yes/No