

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-14581 of 2016
Date of Decision: 19.04.2017

Neeraj Kumar and Others

.....Petitioners

Vs.

Sushma Rani and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI

Present:- Mr.Gursimran Singh, Advocate for the petitioners.

Ms.Manpreet Dhaliwal, AAG, Punjab.

Mr.R.K.Gupta, Advocate, for the respondent No.1 and 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.20 dated 19.02.2014, for the offence under Sections 406, 498-A IPC registered at Police Station Women Cell, District Ludhiana (Annexure P-1) along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom, on the basis of compromise dated 09.04.2016 (Annexure P-2).

It was alleged by the complainant that since the beginning of the marriage, the behaviour of the petitioners and their family members was rude towards his daughter. They were not satisfied with the dowry articles brought by her at the time of marriage. Besides, they used to illtreat and taunt his daughter for bringing inadequate dowry. They were maltreating, torturing and beating his daughter i.e. respondent No.1 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 the complainant. On this background, the FIR was registered.

During the pendency of the trial, the matter has been resolved between the petitioners and respondents No.1 and 2-Sushma Rani and Mohinder Partap Gupta, vide compromise deed dated 09.04.2016 (Annexure

P-2).

In compliance with the order dated 08.12.2016 passed by this Court, the parties got recorded their statements before the trial Court. Report from the JMIC, Ludhiana, has been received in this regard. As per report, respondents No.1 and 2-Sushma Rani and Mohinder Partap Gupta and accused-petitioners appeared before the trial Court on 06.01.2017 for getting their statements recorded in support of the compromise. In this regard statements of respondents No.1 and 2-Sushma Rani and Mohinder Partap Gupta and accused-petitioners were recorded to the effect that they have compromised the matter and respondents No.1 and 2-Sushma Rani and Mohinder Partap Gupta have no objection if the present FIR is quashed against the 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 Bench of this Court in the case of **Kulwinder Singh and others 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.20 dated 19.02.2014, for the offence under Sections 406, 498-A IPC registered at Police Station Women Cell, District Ludhiana (Annexure P-1) is quashed along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom qua the petitioners.

The petition stands disposed of accordingly.

(RITU BAHRI)
JUDGE

19.04.2017

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<i>Whether speaking/reasoned :</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>