

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

**CRM No. M-16690 of 2017
Date of decision: 30.05.2017**

Deepak Gupta

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents

CORAM:HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI

Present: Mr. S.P.S. Sidhu, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

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

Mr. Baljinder Singh, Advocate,
for respondent No.2.

Ritu Bahri, J.

Quashing of FIR No. 339 dated 13.12.2013, under Section 406/498-A IPC, registered at Police Station, Gobindgarh Mandi, District Fatehgarh Sahib (Annexure P-1) is sought on the basis of compromise 03.12.2016 (Annexure P-2) effected between the parties.

The F.I.R was registered on the basis of complaint made by Monica Gupta-respondent No.2 to the effect that her marriage was solemnized with Deepak Gupta-petitioner on 27.11.2013 as per Hindu rites and rituals. Soon after the marriage, her in-laws, including petitioner, started harassing and humiliating her on the pretext of bringing insufficient dowry. She was also given beatings by them. Ultimately, she was thrown out of the matrimonial house. In this background, the FIR was registered.

During the pendency of trial, with the intervention of respectable persons, the matter has now been amicably resolved between the parties vide compromise deed dated 03.12.2016 (Annexure P-2).

In compliance with the order dated 11.05.2017 passed by this Court, parties have got recorded their statements before the trial Court/Illaq Magistrate. Report from the Judicial Magistrate, Ist Class, Amloh, has been received in this regard. As per report, Monica Gupta-respondent No.2 (complainant) made her statement on 23.05.2017 to the effect that with the intervention of respectable persons, she has compromised the matter with accused-petitioner out of her own free will and without any coercion or pressure. As per compromise, she is residing with her husband-petitioner in the matrimonial house. She has no objection if, the aforesaid FIR is quashed. Separate statement of Deepak Gupta-petitioner was also recorded to the same effect. In view of separate statements given by 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 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. 339 dated 13.12.2013, under Sections 406/498-A IPC, registered at Police Station, Gobindgarh Mandi, District Fatehgarh Sahib, is quashed with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom qua the petitioner.

The petition stands disposed of accordingly.

30.05.2017
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(RITU BAHRI)
JUDGE

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