

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

**CRM-M No.21323 of 2016
Date of Decision: 16.03.2017**

Mehak Deep Singh and others

.... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present: Mr. Yogesh Goel, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Kirat Singh Sidhu, DAG, Punjab
for respondent No.1-State.

Ms. Manpreet Kaur, Advocate
for respondents No.2 to 4.

DEEPAK SIBAL J. (ORAL)

The present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of FIR No.42 dated 01.04.2016, registered under Sections 66, 67 and 68 of Information and Technology Act 2000 and Section 294 of IPC, at Police Station S.B.S Nagar, District Ludhiana and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom, on the basis of compromise (Annexure P-2).

On February 27, 2017, this Court had directed the parties to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate/trial Court on 07.03.2017 for recording of their respective statements with regard to the compromise/settlement, who in turn was directed to submit a report with regard to the veracity of the compromise, if any, between the parties and as also to apprise this Court, the number of persons involved in the present FIR and if any of them has been declared proclaimed person.

As directed, report dated 08.03.2017 from the Judicial Magistrate, Ist Class, Ludhiana has been received, as per which the parties had recorded their statements before the trial Court in terms of the compromise arrived at between them.

Learned State counsel has also raised no objection.

In view of the above, continuation of the proceedings in pursuance of the afore-referred FIR, which pertains to a private dispute and the matter has since been compromised, would be an abuse of the process of law and in terms of the law laid down by the Full Bench of this Court in *Kulwinder Singh and others Vs. State of Haryana and others*, **2007 (3) RCR (Criminal), 1052**, I deem it just and proper to allow the petition and resultantly quash the FIR No.42 dated 01.04.2016, registered under Sections 66, 67 and 68 of Information and Technology Act 2000 and Section 294 of IPC, at Police Station S.B.S Nagar, District Ludhiana and all proceedings arising therefrom, qua the petitioners.

March 16, 2017

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**(DEEPAK SIBAL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No