

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

**CRM No. M-26016 of 2016
Date of decision: 27.02.2017**

Ramit Soni and another

...Petitioners

Versus

U.T., Chandigarh and another

...Respondents

CORAM:HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI

Present: Mr. Gautam Thapar, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Mr. Deepinder Brar, APP for U.T., Chandigarh.

Ritu Bahri, J.

Quashing of FIR No. 23 dated 15.02.2016, under Sections 406/498-A IPC, registered at Women Police Station, Sector 17, Chandigarh (Annexure P-1) is sought on the basis of compromise dated 23.07.2016 (Annexure P-2).

The F.I.R was registered on the basis of complaint made by Poonam-respondent No.2 (complainant) to the effect that her marriage was solemnized with Ramit Soni-petitioner No.1 on 17.07.2011 as per Hindu rites and ceremonies. Soon after the marriage, her in-laws (petitioners) started harassing and humiliating her on the pretext of bringing insufficient dowry. She was also given beatings by them. In this background, the FIR was registered.

After registration of the FIR, with the intervention of respectable persons, the matter has been amicably resolved between the

parties vide compromise deed dated 23.07.2016 (Annexure P-2).

In compliance with the order dated 01.08.2016 passed by this Court, parties got recorded their statements before the trial Court/Illaq Magistrate. Report from the Judicial Magistrate, Ist Class, Chandigarh, has been received in this regard. As per report, Poonam-respondent No.2 (complainant) made her statement on 22.02.2017 to the effect that she has compromised the matter with accused-petitioners out of her own free will and without any pressure or coercion. She has no objection if, the above said FIR is quashed. Joint statements of Ramit Soni and Kuldeep Soni-petitioners 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 (CrI.) 1052**, this Court is of the view that no useful purpose would be served in prolonging the litigation.

Accordingly, FIR No. 23 dated 15.02.2016, under Sections 406/498-A IPC, registered at Women Police Station, Sector 17, Chandigarh, is quashed with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom qua the petitioners.

The petition stands disposed of accordingly.

27.02.2017
ajp

(RITU BAHRI)
JUDGE