

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

**1. Date of decision: 18.05.2017
CRM No. M-26206 of 2016**

Sh. Amarjit Singh and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents

2. CRM No. M-16968 of 2017

Mansimranjit Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents

CORAM:HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI

**Present: Mr. Aalok Jagga, Advocate,
for the petitioner(s).**

Mr. J.S. Sekhon, AAG, Punjab.

**Ms. Harpreet Kaur, Advocate,
for Mr. Navkiran Singh, Advocate,
for the complainant.**

Ritu Bahri, J.

**By this common order, Crl. Misc. No. M-26206 of 2016 & Crl.
Misc. No. M-16968 of 2017 shall be decided together wherein prayer is for
quashing of FIR No. 48 dated 22.04.2015, under Sections 498-A & 406 IPC,
registered at Police Station, Civil Lines, Batala, charge-sheet dated**

Ist Class, Batala, declaring petitioner-Mansimranjit Singh (in CRM-M-16968-2017) as proclaimed offender on the basis of compromise effected between the parties.

The F.I.R was registered on the basis of complaint made by Smt. Simranjit Kaur-respondent No.2 (complainant) to the effect that her marriage was solemnized with Mansimranjit Singh on 12.10.2014 as per Sikh rites and rituals at Batala. Soon after the marriage, her in-laws i.e. petitioners started harassing and humiliating her on the pretext of bringing insufficient dowry. In this background, the FIR was registered. After investigation, challan was presented and charges were framed against petitioners-Amarjit Singh and Pushpinder Kaur. Since Mansimranjit Singh was working in Canada, he could not come to India in order to attend the Court proceedings. Ultimately, he was declared as proclaimed offender vide order dated 13.01.2017 (Annexure P-6).

During the pendency of CRM-M-26206-2016, the matter was referred to the Mediation and Conciliation Centre of this Court, where a compromise has been effected between the parties vide settlement/agreement dated 05.05.2017. As per terms of the compromise, it has been agreed that petitioners will pay a sum of Rs.10,00,000/- to Simranjit Kaur-complainant (respondent No.2) as full and final settlement towards her past, present and future maintenance.

Today, learned counsel for the petitioner(s) has handed over a draft of Rs.10,00,000/- to learned counsel for respondent No.2-complainant in Court. This draft has been accepted by father of respondent No.2 as per terms of the compromise dated 05.05.2017.

Since, the matter has been amicably resolved between the

parties, continuation of criminal proceedings against the petitioners would amount to an abuse of the process of Court.

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. 48 dated 22.04.2015, under Sections 498-A & 406 IPC, registered at Police Station, Civil Lines, Batala, charge-sheet dated 07.03.2016 and order dated 13.01.2017 passed by the Judicial Magistrate, Ist Class, Batala, declaring petitioner-Mansimranjit Singh (in CRM-M-16968-2017) as proclaimed offender, are quashed with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom qua the petitioners.

Both the petitions i.e. CrL. Misc. No. M-26206 of 2016 & CrL. Misc. No. M-16968 of 2017 are allowed accordingly.

18.05.2017
ajp

(RITU BAHRI)
JUDGE

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