

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

**CRM-M-33403-2017
Date of decision: 07.11.2017**

Sukhwinder Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab & Anr.

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. Ankur Bansal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Davinder Bir Singh, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Ishan Gupta, Advocate
for respondent No. 2.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)

This petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure seeking quashing of FIR No. 105 dated 12.08.2017 (**Annexure P-1**), registered under Sections 354-A, 294 and 509 of the Indian Penal Code at Police Station Division No. 6, District Jalandhar and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom in view of the compromise (**Annexure P-2**) entered into between the parties.

The aforesaid FIR was registered on the statement of respondent No. 2/complainant herein with the allegations that on 12.08.2017 at about 6.45 AM, she was going to park situated at the back side of Model Town Gurdwara Sahib for morning walk. When she was in front of the Modern Hospital, a Verna car bearing registration No. PB-08-CF-0216 stopped near her. She saw that a Sikh person was driving the car and he was totally naked and doing vulgar things. He tried to open the door of the car

but she ran away. On this, that unknown man drove away his car, however, the complainant noted down the number of his car. Consequently, the aforesaid FIR was registered. However, later on, with the intervention of respectable persons, the dispute has been amicably settled between the parties and they have entered into a compromise.

Keeping in view the fact that the parties have entered into a compromise, they were directed to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate for getting their statements recorded in support of the compromise. In pursuance of the direction, a report has been received from JMIC at Jalandhar, stating that the compromise arrived at between the parties is without any pressure or coercion from any one and the same appears to be genuine one.

Learned Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, on instructions from the Investigating Officer and learned counsel for respondent No. 2-complainant admit the factum of compromise and submit that in case the parties have indeed settled their dispute, they would have no objection to the quashing of the FIR, in view of the law laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

I have heard learned counsel for the rival parties and gone through the record.

In a decision, based on compromise, none of the parties is a loser. Rather, a compromise not only brings peace and harmony between the parties to a dispute, but also restores tranquility in the society. After considering the nature of offences allegedly committed and the fact that both the parties have amicably settled their dispute, continuance of criminal prosecution would be an exercise in futility, as the chances of ultimate

conviction are bleak.

Consequently, keeping in view the fact that the dispute has been amicably settled and in view of the law laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in *Narinder Singh & others vs. State of Punjab & another, (2014) 6 SCC 466*, this petition is allowed and FIR No. 105 dated 12.08.2017 (**Annexure P-1**), registered under Sections 354-A, 294 and 509 of the Indian Penal Code at Police Station Division No. 6, District Jalandhar and all subsequent proceedings arising out of the same are quashed qua the petitioner.

The petition stands disposed of.

07.11.2017

Ansari

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No