

**In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh**

**CRM -M-6343 of 2017**

**Date of Decision: 30.5.2017**

**Rajbir Singh and others**

**---Petitioners**

**versus**

**State of Punjab and others**

**---Respondents**

**Coram: Hon'ble Mrs. Justice Rekha Mittal**

**Present:** Mr. Umesh Aggarwal, Advocate  
for the petitioners  
Mr. Neeraj Sharma, AAG, Punjab  
None for respondent No. 2

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**Rekha Mittal, J.**

By invoking Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (in short, 'Cr.P.C.'), the petitioners have prayed for quashing of FIR No. 93 dated 10.9.2016 for offence punishable under Section 498-A read with Section 34 of the Indian Penal Code (in short, 'IPC') registered at Police Station, Majitha, District Amritsar Rural and proceedings emanating therefrom on the basis of compromise dated 9.11.2016 (Annexure P-2) arrived at between the parties and affidavit dated 29.11.2016.

In the present case, the FIR was registered on the statement of Manpreet Kaur wife of Rajbir Singh. Now, dispute between the parties has been resolved by way of compromise (Annexure P-2) and affidavit dated 29.11.2016.

Vide order dated 27.2.2017, the parties were directed to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate/trial Court to get their statements recorded with regard to genuineness of compromise.

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Pursuant thereto, a report has been submitted by Judicial Magistrate Ist Class, Amritsar wherein it has been reported that statements of the parties have been recorded and they have voluntarily compromised the matter.

Counsel for the State has not disputed that the parties i.e. petitioners and respondent No. 2 (complainant) have arrived at a settlement with an intent to give burial to their differences.

Perusal of allegations in the FIR reveals that the present case squarely falls in that category of cases which can be quashed by the High Court, in exercise of its inherent power under Section 482 Cr.P.C. Keeping in view the authoritative enunciation of law laid down by Hon'ble the Supreme Court in '*Gian Singh v. State of Punjab and another*', 2012(4) *R.C.R. (Criminal)* 543 and in the light of facts and circumstances of the present case, this Court is of the considered opinion that continuation of criminal proceedings would amount to abuse of process of law and it is expedient in the interest of justice that criminal proceedings are put to an end.

For the foregoing reasons, the petition is allowed and FIR No. 93 dated 10.9.2016 for offence punishable under Section 498-A read with Section 34 IPC registered in Police Station, Majitha, District Amritsar Rural and proceedings emanating therefrom stand quashed qua the petitioners.

**(Rekha Mittal)**  
**Judge**

**30.5.2017**

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No