

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

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**CRM-M No. 6556-2017 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 7.4.2017**

Balpreet Singh Bedi and others

...Petitioners

Vs.

State of U.T. Chandigarh and another

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI

Present: Mr. P.S. Bedi, Advocate for petitioners.
Mr. Gautam Dutt, AAP, UT. respondent No. 1.
Mr. Mohit, Advocate for respondent No. 2.

Ritu Bahri, J. (Oral)

Quashing of FIR No. 005 dated 9.9.2015 under Sections 498-A, 406, 420 IPC registered at Police Station Women, Sector 17, Chandigarh on the basis of compromise deed dated 6.12.2016 (Annexure P-2).

Respondent No. 2 got married to petitioner No. 1 on 27.4.2015. No child was born out of the wedlock. FIR in question was lodged on account of matrimonial dispute between the parties. As per allegations in the FIR, at the time of marriage, gold articles were given to in-laws of respondent No. 2, the details of which is annexed as A-1, A-2, A-3 and A-4. After some time, respondent No. 2 came to know that petitioner-Balpreet Singh Bedi is a divorcee. This fact can be verified from copy of divorce granted to petitioner at Canada dated 22.6.2011 (Annexure A-6) which was never told to the complainant.

During the pendency of the petition, a compromise was effected between the parties on 6.12.2016 (Annexure P-2). In pursuance of order dated 28.2.2017, report from Judicial Magistrate Ist Class, Chandigarh dated 5.4.2017 has been received. Statement of complainant-respondent No. 2 was recorded on 3.4.2017. It was agreed that petitioners shall pay an amount of ₹ 20,00,000/- to complainant-respondent No. 2, out of which ₹ 10,00,000/- has already been paid to her in the presence of Judicial Magistrate Ist Class, Chandigarh on 20.12.2016 and balance amount is to be paid at the time of quashing of the FIR before this Court.

Learned counsel for petitioners has handed over a demand draft amounting to ₹ 10,00,000/- to respondent No. 2.

Consequently, in view of the stated report and judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the case of ***Dr. Arvind Barsaul etc. versus State of Madhya Pradesh and another 2008(2) RCR (Criminal) 910***, no useful purpose would be served in prolonging the litigation.

Accordingly, FIR No. 005 dated 9.9.2015 under Sections 498-A, 406, 420 IPC registered at Police Station Women, Sector 17, Chandigarh is quashed along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom qua petitioners.

The petition stands disposed of accordingly.

(RITU BAHRI)
JUDGE

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