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

**CRM-M-18915-2018
Date of decision:26.07.2018**

Jagjit Singh and another**....Petitioners**

Versus

State of Punjab and another**....Respondents****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI**

Present: Mr. Gopal Singh Nahel, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Saurav Khurana, DAG, Punjab.

RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI, J.(ORAL)

By invoking Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, the petitioner has prayed for quashing of FIR No.124 dated 14.11.2015 (Annexure P-1) for offence punishable under Sections 420 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, registered at Police Station Amargarh, District Sangrur and subsequent proceedings arising therefrom, on the basis of compromise (Anneuxre P-3).

In the present case, the FIR was registered on the statement of Ajit Singh son of Charan Singh. Now, dispute between the parties has been resolved.

Vide order dated 04.05.2018, the parties were directed to appear before the trial Court/Illaq Magistrate to get their statements recorded with regard to genuineness of compromise.

Pursuant thereto, a report has been submitted by the Judicial Magistrate Ist Class, Malerkotla (Sangrur) wherein it has been reported that statements of the parties have been recorded and compromise entered between the parties is genuine and is without any pressure or coercion and volunteer.

Learned counsel for the State has not disputed that the parties 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 the category of cases that can be quashed by the High Court, in exercise of its inherent power under Section 482 Cr.P.C. Keeping in view 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 discussed hereinbefore, 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 the same are put to an end.

For the foregoing reasons, the petition is allowed, FIR No.124 dated 14.11.2015 for offence punishable under Sections 420 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code, registered at Police Station Amargarh, District Sangrur and proceedings emanating therefrom stand quashed qua the petitioners herein.

(RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI)
JUDGE

26th July, 2018

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Whether speaking/reasoned : *Yes/No*

Whether reportable : *Yes/No*