

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

**Criminal Misc. No.M-26315 of 2018 (O&M)
Date of Decision: July 20, 2018**

Dharmendra Pratap Singh and another

.....PETITIONER(s).

VERSUS

State of Haryana and another

....RESPONDENT(s).

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURINDER GUPTA

Present: Mr. Mohan Singh Chauhan, Advocate
for the petitioner (s).

Mr. Raminder Singh Dhaliwal, Advocate
for the complainant.

SURINDER GUPTA, J.

The petitioners have filed this petition under Section 482 Code of Criminal Procedure (for short, 'Cr.P.C.') seeking quashing of FIR No. 0470 dated 08.09.2017 (Annexure P-1), registered for offences punishable under Sections 67/67-A of Information Technology Act, 2000 at Police Station Kotwali, Faridabad, along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom, on the basis of the compromise (Annexure P-2).

As per the allegations in the FIR, the petitioners were having a Web Portal under the name and style of Star Haryana. On this portal, they were sending links to the public of porn videos. Respondent No.2 was aggrieved as she is also having her own web portal under the name and style of Star News. Many persons, who have been going to the Web Portal of Star Haryana are getting the links of porn videos, calling the petitioners for

making inquiries about this.

From the allegations in the FIR, which was registered on the statement of respondent No.2, it is apparent that respondent No.2 was merely an informer and can settle the dispute only to the extent she was aggrieved. The offence reported by her is offence against the public for which she is not competent to enter into compromise.

Keeping in view the above facts, quashing of the FIR on the basis of compromise with respondent No.2 cannot be allowed.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioners seeks permission to withdraw the petition.

Dismissed as withdrawn.

July 20, 2018
Sachin M.

(SURINDER GUPTA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: ***Yes/No***

Whether Reportable: ***Yes/No***