

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

CRM-M No.30361 of 2018 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 16.11.2018

Sahil and others

..... Petitioners

Versus

The State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. S. S. Sarwara, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Luvinder Sofat, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab.

Mr. Atul Goyal, Advocate
for respondents No.2 to 4.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)

This petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure seeking quashing of FIR No.76 dated 07.05.2018 registered under Sections 354, 354-D, 452, 506, 148, 149 of Indian Penal Code and Sections 7, 8 of POCSO Act at Police Station PAU, District Ludhiana (Annexure P-1) and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom in view of the compromise dated 13.07.2018 (Annexure P-2).

The FIR has been registered on the statement of respondent No.2-Rakhi on the allegations that the petitioners are used to tease and speak foul language. Now with the intervention of respectable persons, the matter has been amicably compromised between the parties and they have resolved their disputes and differences.

Keeping in view the fact that the parties have entered into a

compromise, they were directed to appear before the trial Court/Illaq Magistrate for getting their statements recorded in support of the compromise. In pursuance of the direction, a report has been received from the Judicial Magistrate, Ist Class, Ludhiana, stating that the compromise arrived at between the parties is genuine, voluntary and without any coercion or undue influence.

Learned State counsel, on instructions from the Investigating Officer and learned counsel for the respondents No.2 to 4 admit to the factum of compromise and submit that in case the parties have indeed settled their dispute, the State 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 parties and have 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 and others vs. State of Punjab and another, (2014) 6 SCC 466**, this petition is allowed and FIR No.76 dated 07.05.2018 registered under Sections 354, 354-D, 452, 506, 148, 149 of

Indian Penal Code and Sections 7, 8 of POCSO Act at Police Station PAU, District Ludhiana (Annexure P-1) and all subsequent proceedings arising out of the same are quashed qua the petitioner(s) herein.

The petition stands disposed of.

November 16, 2018

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(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes
Whether reportable	Yes/No