

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.31823 of 2017 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 09.10.2018.

Amarpreet Singh @ Laddi and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI

Present: Mr. Gautam Thapar, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Karanbir Singh, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Ravi, Advocate for
Ms. Surinder Kaur, Advocate
for respondent Nos.2 and 3.

RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI J. (ORAL)

By invoking Section 482 Cr.P.C., the petitioners have prayed for quashing of FIR No.30 dated 07.03.2011 for the offences punishable under Sections 365, 342, 447, 448, 452, 323, 511, 148, 149 of the Indian Penal Code (for short 'IPC') and Section 25/27 of the Arms Act, registered at Police Station Chamkaur Sahib District Rupnagar (Annexure P-1) and all the proceedings emanating therefrom on the basis of compromise (Annexure P-2) arrived at between the parties.

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

Vide order dated 25.04.2018, the parties were directed to appear before the trial Court to get their statements recorded with regard to genuineness of compromise.

Pursuant thereto, a report has been submitted by the Judicial

Magistrate Ist Class, Rupnagar, wherein it has been reported that statements of the parties have been recorded that the compromise is genuine, voluntary , without any threat, coercion or undue influence.

Counsel for the State as well as counsel for respondent Nos.2 and 3 have not disputed that the parties i.e. petitioners and respondent Nos.2 and 3 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 and FIR No.30 dated 07.03.2011 for the offences punishable under Sections 365, 342, 447, 448, 452, 323, 511, 148, 149 IPC and Section 25/27 of the Arms Act, registered at Police Station Chamkaur Sahib District Rupnagar (Annexure P-1) and all the proceedings emanating therefrom on the basis of compromise stand quashed qua the petitioners.

(RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No