

CRM-M-34225-2017

Date of Decision: 19.03.2018.

VINOD KUMAR

...Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI

Present: Mr.Naveen Batri, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Karanbir Singh, AAG, Punjab.

RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI, J. (ORAL)

By invoking Section 482 Cr.P.C., petitioner has prayed for quashing of FIR No 125 dated 12.11.2016 under Sections 279/337 of India Penal Code and Section 187 under section Motor Vehicle Act, 1954 registered in Police Station Anandpur Sahib, District Rupnagar (Annexure P-1) and 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 HC Pritam Singh. Now, dispute between the parties has been resolved by way of compromise Annexure P-2.

Vide order dated 24.01.2018, 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 1st Class, Sri Anandpur Sahib, wherein it has been reported that

statements of the parties have been recorded and they have voluntarily compromised the matter. As such the compromise is genuine, voluntary and without any coercion or undue influence.

Counsel for the State has not disputed that parties i.e. petitioner and respondent Nos. 2 and 3 (complainant) 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 vs. State of Punjab and another' 2012 (4) R.C. R. (Criminal) 543 and in the light of facts and circumstances discussed hereinabove, 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 125 dated 12.11.2016 under Sections 279/337 of India Penal Code and Section 187 under section Motor Vehicle Act, 1954 registered in Police Station Anandpur Sahib, District Rupnagar (Annexure P-1) and proceedings emanating therefrom stand quashed qua the petitioner.

(RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI)
JUDGE

March 19, 2018

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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No