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

**CRM-M-35245-2017
Date of Decision: 08.02.2018**

Sandeep Singh and another

..... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. Ramesh Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Ms. Rajni Gupta, Senior DAG, Punjab.

None for respondent No.2.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA J. (ORAL)

In this petition, the petitioners, who are the accused persons in F.I.R No.17, dated 17.02.2017, under Sections 457 and 380 of the Indian Penal Code, registered at Police Station Lohian, District Jalandhar Rural (Annexure P-1), have prayed for quashing of F.I.R. with all subsequent proceedings, on the basis of compromise.

[2]. With the intervention of respectables and elderly people of the society, the complainant has arrived at a settlement with the accused vide Compromise Deed (Annexure P-2), which is duly signed by him. The matter was referred to the Court below for recording of statements of the parties and to report with respect to genuineness of the compromise arrived at between the parties. The Judicial Magistrate First Class, Nakodar, vide report dated 28.10.2017, has apprised this Court that the compromise arrived at between the parties is genuine and without any pressure.

[3]. Respondent No.2 is not present nor he is represented by his counsel. However, he has made a statement on 16.10.2017, before the Judicial Magistrate First Class, Nakodar, whereby he has admitted the factum of compromise with the accused and deposed that the compromise has been effected between them voluntarily and without any undue influence, coercion or pressure.

[4]. In view of the report of the Judicial Magistrate First Class, Nakodar, and in view of the decisions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in **“Gian Singh Vs. State of Punjab and another”, 2012(4) RCR (Criminal) 543** and **“Narinder Singh and Others Vs. State of Punjab and Another”, (2014) 6 SCC 466**, this Court is of the opinion that no useful purpose can be served by keeping with the criminal proceedings pending, since the complainant has himself compromised the dispute with the petitioners/accused persons.

[5]. In the circumstances, the present petition is allowed. F.I.R No.17, dated 17.02.2017, under Sections 457 and 380 of the Indian Penal Code, registered at Police Station Lohian, District Jalandhar Rural (Annexure P-1), and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom, are hereby quashed qua the present petitioners.

08.02.2018

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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes

2. Whether reportable: No