

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

**CRM-M-41524-2018 (O&M)**

**Date of Decision: 11.12.2018**

Bhajan Chand Sabharwal and others

... Petitioners

Vs.

State of Punjab and another

... Respondents

**CORAM : HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR**

Present : Mr. Krishan Singh Dadwal, Advocate  
for the petitioners.

Mr. Balbir Singh Sewak, Addl. A.G. Punjab.

Ms. Daljit Kaur, Advocate  
for respondent No.2.

**JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)**

This petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure seeking quashing of FIR No.33 dated 06.06.2016 registered under Sections 406, 498-A of Indian Penal Code at Police Station Bilga, District Jalandhar (Rural) as well as quashing of order dated 30.10.2017 passed by Judicial Magistrate Ist Class, Phillaur vide which petitioner No.3 was declared as proclaimed offender and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom in view of the compromise.

The FIR is result of matrimonial dispute. However, 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 directions, a report has been received from Judicial Magistrate Ist Class, Phillaur, District Jalandhar, stating that the compromise arrived at between the parties is without any pressure or coercion from any one and the same is genuine one.

Learned State counsel on instructions from the Investigating Officer and learned counsel for respondent No.2-complainant admit the factum of compromise. However, learned counsel for the State raises an objection that petitioner No.3 stand declared as proclaimed offender and, therefore, the proceedings qua him ought not be quashed.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties and have gone through the record.

Argument of the learned State counsel that petitioner stand declared proclaimed offender and therefore, proceedings qua him ought not be quashed is not sustainable on account of the fact matter has been compromised and pursuant to the order dated 30.10.2018, petitioner No.3 has surrendered before the court and bail was granted to him.

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 v. State of Punjab and another, (2014) 6 SCC 466**, this petition is allowed and FIR No.33 dated 06.06.2016 registered under Sections 406, 498-A of Indian Penal Code at Police Station Bilga, District Jalandhar (Rural) as well as quashing of order dated 30.10.2017 passed by Judicial Magistrate Ist Class, Phillaur vide which petitioner No.3 was declared as proclaimed offender and all subsequent proceedings arising out of the same are quashed.

The petition stands disposed of.

11.12.2018  
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(JAISHREE THAKUR)  
JUDGE

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| Whether speaking/reasoned | Yes/No |
| Whether reportable        | Yes/No |