

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M No.42236 of 2017 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 11.10.2018.

Kulwant Singh and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI

Present: Mr. K.S. Dhaliwal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. M.S. Nagra, AAG, Punjab.

Ms. Anchal, Advocate for
Mr. Y.S. Sidhu, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI J. (ORAL)

CRM No.30382 of 2018

This is an application for pre-poning the date of hearing of
main case to some early date.

Heard.

This application is allowed and the main case is taken on board
today itself.

CRM-M No.42236 of 2017

By invoking Section 482 Cr.P.C., the petitioners have prayed
for quashing of FIR No.251 dated 23.10.2013 for the offences punishable
under Sections 324, 325, 34 of the Indian Penal Code (for short 'IPC'),
registered at Police Station Beas, District Amritsar Rural (Annexure P-1)

and all the proceedings emanating therefrom on the basis of compromise (Annexure P-4) arrived at between the parties.

In the present case, the FIR was registered on the statement of Raghbir Kaur wife of Mahinder Singh. Now, dispute between the parties has been resolved.

Vide orders dated 09.11.2017, 02.02.2018 and 19.07.2018, the parties were directed to appear before the trial Court/Illaq Magistrate to get their statements recorded with regard to genuineness of compromise.

Pursuant thereto, a report has been submitted by the Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate, Baba Bakala Sahib, wherein it has been reported that statements of the parties have been recorded that the compromise is genuine, voluntary, without any pressure or coercion.

Counsel for the State as well as counsel for respondent No.2 have not disputed that the parties i.e. petitioners and respondent No.2 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. FIR No.251 dated 23.10.2013 for the offences punishable under Sections 324, 325, 34 IPC, registered at Police Station Beas, District Amritsar Rural (Annexure P-1) and all the proceedings emanating therefrom on the basis of compromise stand quashed qua the petitioners.

11.10.2018
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(RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>