

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

**CRM-M-46385-2017(O&M)
Date of decision : 23.10.2018**

Sandeep Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE ANITA CHAUDHRY

Present: Mr. Sumeet Puri, Advocate
 for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Jagmohan Ghumman, D.A.G., Punjab.

None for respondent No.2.

ANITA CHAUDHRY, J(ORAL)

The instant petition is for quashing of FIR No.02 dated 08.01.2017 registered under Section 354-A IPC and Section 8 of POCSO Act at Police Station Khanauri, District Sangrur and the consequent proceedings arising out of the same, on the basis of compromise arrived at between the parties.

Report has been received from the trial Court after statements of the parties were recorded regarding the compromise. The trial Court has reported that the compromise is voluntary and with the free consent of the parties, without any pressure or undue influence and is genuine. The trial Court has also sent copies of the statements of the parties.

Learned counsel for the State on instructions submits that petitioner is the only accused and respondent no.2 is the only aggrieved person in this FIR.

No useful purpose would be served to keep the FIR pending.

In view of the statements and report of the trial Court and the principles laid down by the Full Bench judgment of this Court in **Kulwinder Singh and others Vs. State of Punjab and another, 2007(3) RCR (Criminal) 1052**, approved by Hon'ble Apex Court in **Gian Singh Vs. State of Punjab and others (2012) 10 SCC 303**, the instant petition is allowed and the aforesaid FIR and all consequent proceedings conducted on the basis thereof are quashed *qua* the petitioner.

Needless to say that parties shall remain bound by the terms of compromise and their statements made in the Court below.

(ANITA CHAUDHRY)
JUDGE

23.10.2018

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No