

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

**Criminal Misc.No.M-9606 of 2017 (O&M)
Date of Decision : 14.02.2018**

Navroop Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI

Present : None for the petitioner.

Mr. V.G.Jauhar, Senior DAG, Punjab

Mr. Jaswinder Randhawa, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI, J. (Oral)

By invoking Section 482 Cr.P.C., the petitioner has prayed for quashing of FIR No.07 dated 14.05.2016, registered under Sections 420, 120-B IPC at Police Station NRI, SAS Nagar and proceedings emanating therefrom on the basis of statement dated 30.06.2016 (Annexure P-2), suffered by respondent No.2.

In the present case, the FIR was registered on the statement of Kanwaljit Singh Sodhi. Now, dispute between the parties has been resolved in view of statement Annexures P-2, suffered by respondent No.2.

Vide order dated 21.03.2017, 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, SAS Nagar, Mohali wherein it has been reported that statements of the parties have been recorded and they have voluntarily compromised the matter.

Counsel for the State and respondent No. 2 have not disputed that the parties i.e. petitioner and respondent No.2 (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 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.07 dated 14.05.2016, registered under Sections 420, 120-B IPC at Police Station NRI, SAS Nagar and proceedings emanating therefrom stand quashed qua the petitioner.

14.02.2018
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(RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether Reportable :

Yes/No