

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

**CRM NO. M-7137 OF 2018
DATE OF DECISION : 22.05.2018**

Charanjit Singh @ Channa and others

...Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present : Mr. R. S. Sekhon, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Mr. K. S. Aulakh, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Gagandeep Singh, Advocate for
Mr. A. S. Virk, Advocate,
for respondents No.2 to 4.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioners are seeking quashing of FIR No.194 dated 12.10.2017 under Sections 323/148/149 IPC and Section 3 (x) of the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 (hereinafter referred to as the "SC/ST Act") registered at Police Station Sadar Jalalabad, District Fazilka, on the basis of compromise dated 01.02.2018 (Annexure P-3) arrived at between the parties.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that FIR is an outcome of a sudden quarrel between the parties. The allegations prima-facie do not constitute an offence under the SC/ST Act. The matter has been compromised.

A co-ordinate Bench of this Court by the order dated 19.02.2018 had directed the parties to appear before the Illaqa

Magistrate/trial Court for recording their statements with regard to veracity of the compromise. The Judicial Magistrate Ist Class, Jalalabad (West) has sent his report dated 30.03.2018, wherein it is stated that in pursuance to the order of this Court, statements of the parties were recorded. As per the statements, compromise has been effected without any fear or undue influence.

The FIR is an outcome of a sudden quarrel between the parties, which has now been resolved.

In view of the law laid down in "**Narinder Singh Vs. State of Punjab**" **2014 (6) SCC 466**, no useful purpose will be served by continuing the criminal proceedings. Therefore, the petition is allowed and FIR No. 194 dated 12.10.2017 under Sections 323/148/149 IPC and Section 3 (x) of the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Attrocities) Act, 1989 registered at Police Station Sadar Jalalabad, District Fazilka and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom, are hereby quashed qua the petitioners only.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes /	No
Whether reportable	:	Yes /	No