

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

**CRM NO. M-7247 OF 2018
DATE OF DECISION : 22.05.2018**

Satinder Singh @ Sunny

...Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present : Mr. Rajeev Sharma, Advocate for
Mr. Kamaldeep Singh Sodhi, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

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

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner is seeking quashing of FIR No.36 dated 04.03.2017 under Section 3 of the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 (hereinafter referred to as the "SC/ST Act") registered at Police Station Adampur, District Jalandhar, on the basis of compromise dated 05.02.2018 (Annexure P-2) arrived at between the parties.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that FIR is an outcome of a misunderstanding between the parties. The allegations in the FIR does not constitute a prima-facie case under the SC/ST Act. The matter has been compromised.

A co-ordinate Bench of this Court by the order dated 20.02.2018 had directed the parties to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate/trial Court for recording their statements with regard to

veracity of the compromise. The Additional District and Sessions Judge, Jalandhar, has sent his report dated 16.03.2018, 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 misunderstanding 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.36 dated 04.03.2017 under Section 3 of the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Attrocities) Act, 1989 (hereinafter referred to as the "SC/ST Act") registered at Police Station Adampur, District Jalandhar 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