

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

CRM-M No.9988 of 2018
Date of Decision: 17.04.2018

Swaran Pal Singh

. . . Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

. . . Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI

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

Ms. Simranjeet Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Sanjeev Kumar, Advocate
For respondent No.2.

Raj Shekhar Atttri, J. (Oral)

By invoking Section 482 Cr.P.C., the petitioner has prayed for quashing of FIR No.2 dated 04.01.2017 for offence punishable under Sections 420 and 406 of the Indian Penal Code (for short 'IPC') registered at Police Station, City Phagwara, District Kapurthala, and proceedings emanating therefrom on the basis of compromise (Annexures P-2) arrived at between the parties.

In the present case, the FIR was registered on the application of Jiwan Singh son of Shri Jagtar Singh. Now, dispute between the parties has been resolved by way of compromise Annexures P-2.

Vide order dated 09.03.2018, the parties were directed to appear before the illaqa magistrate/trial court to get their statements recorded with regard to genuineness of compromise.

Pursuant thereto, a report has been submitted by the Chief Judicial Magistrate, Amritsar wherein it has been reported that statements of the parties recorded and compromise entered between the parties is genuine, voluntarily and out of free will.

Counsel for the State and respondent No.2 have not disputed that the parties i.e. petitioner, 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.2 dated 04.01.2017 for offence punishable under Sections 420 and 406 of the Indian Penal Code (for short 'IPC') registered at Police Station, City Phagwara, District Kapurthala, and proceedings emanating therefrom stand quashed qua the petitioner.

[RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI]
JUDGE

April 17, 2018
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Whether Speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No