

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

CRM-M-20093-2017

Date of decision: February 08, 2019

Baljinder Singh and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI

Present: Mr. Parveen Chauhan, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Ramdeep Partap Singh, DAG, Punjab.

None for respondents No.2 to 4.

RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI, J.(ORAL)

By invoking Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, the petitioners have prayed for quashing of FIR No.85 dated 12.08.2015, under Sections 457, 354, 427, 380, 506, 148 and 149 of the Indian Penal Code (for short 'IPC') registered at Police Station Mehta, District Amritsar and subsequent proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise (Annexure P-2).

In the present case, the FIR was registered on the statement of Tara Singh son of Mohan Singh. Now, dispute between the parties has been resolved.

Vide orders dated 31.05.2017, 20.11.2017, 01.08.2018 and 27.09.2018, the parties were directed to appear before the learned trial court/illaqa magistrate to get their statements recorded with regard to genuineness of compromise.

Pursuant thereto, a report has been submitted by the learned Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate, District Amritsar wherein it has been reported that statements of the parties have been recorded and compromise entered between the parties is voluntarily, out of their free will and without any

pressure or coercion and the same is genuine one.

Learned counsel for the State has not disputed that the parties i.e. petitioners, respondent No.2 (complainant), respondents No.3 and 4, 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 and FIR No.85 dated 12.08.2015, under Sections 457, 354, 427, 380, 506, 148 and 149 IPC registered at Police Station Mehta, District Amritsar and subsequent proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise stands quashed qua petitioners.

February 08, 2019
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(RAJ SHEKHAR ATTRI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	:	yes/no
Whether reportable	:	yes/no