

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

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CRM-M-23921-2020

Date of decision : 08.10.2020.

Harvinder Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

.. Respondents

CORAM :HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Mr. Harjeet Singh Gharoo, Advocate for
Mr. Pardeep Kapoor, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Kanhiya Soni, Advocate for respondent No.2.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking quashing of FIR No.191 dated 06.07.2019 under Section 354-A IPC, registered at Police Station Division No.5, district Ludhiana, on the basis of compromise dated 24.07.2020 (Annexure P-2), which has been arrived at between the parties.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the FIR is the outcome of misunderstanding between the parties. With the intervention of the respectables, the matter has been compromised. He has referred to the copy of the compromise which is annexed as Annexure P-2.

Learned counsel for respondent No.2 states that the matter has indeed been compromised between the parties.

This Court vide order dated 21.08.2020 had directed the parties to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate/trial Court for recording their statements and send a report as to whether the compromise has been arrived at without any coercion or undue influence. The report of the Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Ludhiana dated 14.09.2020 has been received, wherein it is stated that in pursuance to the order of this Court, the statements of the parties were recorded which indicates that compromise which has been effected is genuine, voluntary and without undue influence.

The FIR is the outcome of misunderstanding between the parties which has now been resolved and the matter has been compromised. In view of the law laid down by the Supreme Court in the case of **Narinder Singh vs. State of Punjab 2014 (6) SCC 466**, no useful purpose will be served by continuing the criminal proceedings. It would, thus, be in the interest of justice to quash the FIR No.191 dated 06.07.2019 under Section 354-A IPC, registered at Police Station Division No.5, district Ludhiana and all consequential proceedings are hereby quashed qua the petitioner.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

October 08, 2020

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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No