

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Sr. No. 218

CRM-M-24491-2020

Date of decision : 07.10.2020

Mani and others

..... Petitioners

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present: Mr.K.B.S.Mann, Advocate, for the petitioners.

Mr.Jagmohan Ghumman, DAG, Punjab.

Mr.Prateek Pandit, Advocate, for respondents No.2 and 3.

DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (ORAL)

Case taken up through video conferencing.

The present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of FIR No.170 dated 03.07.2019, registered under Sections 452, 354-D, 324, 323 and 34 IPC, at Police Station City Muktsar Sahib, district Sri Muktsar Sahib on the basis of compromise (Annexure P-2).

On 26.08.2020, this Court had directed the parties to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate/Trial Court on 10.09.2020 for recording of their respective statements with regard to the compromise/settlement, who in turn was directed to submit a report along with the recorded statements with regard to the veracity of the compromise, if any, between the parties as also to apprise this Court whether the accused were ever declared as proclaimed offenders and if is there any other case pending against them.

As directed, report dated 14.09.2020 from the Judicial Magistrate, Ist Class, Sri Muktsar Sahib has been received, as per which the parties had recorded their statements before the Trial Court in terms of the

compromise arrived at between them; no other case is pending against the petitioners except a FIR against petitioner No.1 under the Excise Act and also no proclamation proceedings are pending against them.

Learned State counsel has also raised no objection if the present petition is allowed.

In view of the above, continuation of the proceedings in pursuance of the afore-referred FIR, which pertains a dispute between the private parties where the investigation is at the initial stage and the matter having been compromised, would be an abuse of the process of law and in terms of the law laid down by the Full Bench of this Court in *Kulwinder Singh and others Vs. State of Punjab and others*, 2007 (3) RCR (Criminal), 1052, I deem it just and proper to allow the petition and resultantly quash the FIR No.170 dated 03.07.2019, registered under Sections 452, 354-D, 324, 323 and 34 IPC, at Police Station City Muktsar Sahib, District Sri Muktsar Sahib and all proceedings arising therefrom, qua the petitioners.

07.10.2020
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[DEEPAK SIBAL]
JUDGE

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