

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

**CRM-M-26080-2020
Date of Decision: 27.10.2020**

Lovepreet Kaur and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANT PARKASH

Present: Mr.B.S.Jaswal, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr.R.S.Thind, DAG, Punjab.

Mr.Nitin Sharma, Advocate for respondent No.2.

SANT PARKASH, J.

[The aforesaid presence is being recorded through video conferencing since the proceedings are being conducted in virtual court.]

Petitioners have approached this Court by way of instant petition under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (for short ('Cr.P.C.)) invoking its inherent jurisdiction for quashing of FIR No.215 dated 29.11.2019 registered under Sections 420/379/120-B of the Indian Penal Code at Police Station, Goindwal Sahib, District Tarn Taran and the consequential proceedings arising therefrom, on the basis of compromise (Annexure P-2).

Notice of motion was issued.

Vide orders dated 04.09.2020 and 12.10.2020 passed by this Court, the parties were directed to appear before the trial Court to record their statements with regard to genuineness of the compromise and send a report to this Court. The report dated 08.10.2020 of Sub Division Judicial Magistrate, Khadur Sahib, has been received, wherein it is stated that in pursuance of the order of this Court, the statements of the parties were recorded which indicates that the compromise is genuine, without any coercion or undue influence.

Learned counsels appearing on behalf of both the parties admit that parties have settled their disputes.

After hearing the learned counsel for the parties and going

through record of the case, this Court is of the considered opinion that it is a fit case for exercising the inherent jurisdiction of this Court under Section 482 Cr.P.C., so as to secure the ends of justice because the parties have arrived at an out of the Court settlement by way of compromise (Annexure P-2). The compromise is without any pressure and a genuine one. In such a situation, continuation of the prosecution would result in sheer abuse of process of law.

For the aforesaid view, this Court finds support from the judgment of Full Bench of this Court rendered in *Kulwinder Singh and others Vs. State of Punjab and another, 2007(3) RCR (Criminal) 1052*.

Considering the peculiar facts and circumstances of the case noted above, coupled with the reasons aforementioned and to secure the ends of justice, FIR No.215 dated 29.11.2019 registered under Sections 420/379/120-B of the Indian Penal Code at Police Station, Goindwal Sahib, District Tarn Taran and the consequential proceedings arising therefrom are ordered to be quashed, however, qua the petitioners only.

Resultantly, with the above-said observations made, the instant petition stands allowed.

27.10.2020
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(SANT PARKASH)
JUDGE

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