

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

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CRM-M-35591-2020 (O & M)
Date of Decision: December 22, 2020

MANBIR SINGH MAHAL AND ANR

.....PETITIONERS

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS

....RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Hemender Goswami, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Sidakmeet Singh Sandhu, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Varinder Singh Rana, Advocate for respondents No.2 & 3.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioners are seeking quashing of FIR No.163 dated 19.07.2019, under Sections 420 and 120-B IPC registered at Police Station Civil Lines, Amritsar, on the basis of compromise dated 06.03.2020 (Annexure P-2), which has been arrived at between the parties.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that the FIR is an outcome of a property dispute between relatives which has now been resolved and the matter has been compromised. He has referred to the copy of the compromise which is annexed as Annexure P-2.

Learned counsel for respondents No.2 & 3 states that the matter has indeed been compromised.

This Court by the order dated 23.11.2020 had directed the parties to appear before the trial Court to record the statements of the parties with regard to genuineness of the compromise and send a report to this Court. The

report of Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate (Duty), Amritsar dated 01.12.2020 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 the compromise is genuine and without any coercion or undue influence.

The FIR is outcome of property dispute between relatives, 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 and others Vs. State of Punjab and another, (2014) 6 SCC 466*, no useful purpose will be served by continuing the criminal proceedings. Therefore, the petition is allowed and FIR No.163 dated 19.07.2019, under Sections 420 and 120-B IPC registered at Police Station Civil Lines, Amritsar (Annexure P-1) and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom, are hereby quashed qua the petitioner(s).

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

December 22, 2020
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Whether speaking/ reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No