

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

CRM-M-42641-2019 (O&M)

Date of decision: 29.01.2020

Gurpreet Kaur

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE H.S. MADAAN

Present: Ms. Asha Rani, Advocate for
Mr. Arihant Goyal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Rana Harjasdeep Singh, DAG, Punjab.

Ms. Jaspreet Kaur, Advocate for
Ms. Sushma Chopra, Advocate for respondent No.2.

H.S. MADAAN, J. (Oral)

Petitioner – Gurpreet Kaur has brought the instant petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of FIR No. 0344 dated 25.09.2017, for offences under Sections 406 and 420 IPC, registered at Police Station Phillaur, District Jalandhar Rural, against her, along with consequential proceedings arising therefrom, on the basis of compromise, stated to have been effected between her and complainant Amandeep Singh Gill- arrayed as respondent No.2.

When the petition came up for hearing on 15.10.2019, notice of motion was ordered to be issued. Respondent No.2 through Ms. Sushma Chopra, Advocate had put in appearance. Then in light of the

contention that parties have since effected compromise, they were directed to put in appearance before the trial Court to get their statements recorded with regard to compromise and was directed to send a report to this Court.

Report has been received from Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate, Phillaur, in terms of which complainant Amandeep Singh Gill and accused, namely, Gurpreet Kaur, had appeared there and their statements were recorded, in terms of which they have admitted to have entered into a voluntary compromise, without any threat, coercion, pressure or promise. There is nothing on record to doubt the genuineness of the compromise so arrived at between the parties. Along with the report statement of the complainant and the accused, have been annexed.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties besides going through the record.

The dispute is between the husband and wife, which has been resolved amicably, which appears to have been arrived at between them voluntarily without any threat or coercion. The State counsel on instructions from ASI Govinder Singh has informed that on completion of investigation, the police has prepared a cancellation report in the matter which goes to show that the police could not collect sufficient material to forward the accused to face trial.

Further, in terms of ratio of the authority reported as **Kulwinder Singh and others vs. State of Punjab and others 2007 (3) RCR (Criminal) 1052**, where in para 28, it has been held as under :-

“The compromise, in a modern society, is the sine qua non of harmony and orderly behaviour. It is the soul of justice and if the power under Section 482 of the Cr.P.C. is used to enhance such a compromise which, in turn, enhances the social amity and reduces friction, then it truly is “finest hour of justice”. ”

It has been observed that High Court has power to quash prosecution in order to achieve ends of justice and to prevent abuse of process of law. Though such powers are unlimited but those are to be exercised sparingly and with utmost care and caution. Though there is no statutory bar which can effect the inherent power of High Court under Section 482 Cr.P.C.

The compromise is in interest of peace and tranquility in the society and for such like reasons this Court can quash the FIR and ancillary proceedings exercising power under Section 482 Cr.P.C., it appears to be a fit case to exercise such powers.

Accordingly, the petition is allowed and the above said FIR along with ancillary proceedings are hereby quashed.

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(H.S. MADAAN)
JUDGE

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