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

**CRM-M-13987-2019
Date of Decision: 08.01.2021**

Gurlabh Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present: Mr. Amardeep Singh Mann, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. B.S. Sewak, Addl. A.G., Punjab,
for respondent No.1/State.

Mr. Ajit Singh Natt, Advocate,
for respondent No.2/Complainant.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA J. (ORAL)

In this petition, the petitioners, who is the accused in F.I.R No.0072, dated 24.07.2018, under Section 295-A of the Indian Penal Code, registered at Police Station City-2 Mansa, District Mansa (Annexure P-1), has prayed for quashing of F.I.R. with all subsequent proceedings, on the basis of compromise.

[2]. With the intervention of respectables and elderly people of the society, the complainant has arrived at a settlement with the accused vide Compromise (Annexure P-2), which is duly signed by him. The matter was referred to the Court below for recording of statements of the parties and to report with respect to genuineness of the compromise arrived at between the parties. The Chief Judicial Magistrate, Mansa (Duty), vide report dated 18.04.2019, has apprised this Court that the compromise arrived at between

the parties is genuine and without any pressure.

[3]. Respondent No.2 is represented by his Counsel through Video Conferencing, who does not dispute the compromise.

[4]. In view of the report of the Chief Judicial Magistrate, Mansa (Duty) and in view of the decisions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in “**Gian Singh Vs. State of Punjab and another**”, 2012(4) RCR (Criminal) 543 and “**Narinder Singh and Others Vs. State of Punjab and Another**”, (2014) 6 SCC 466, this Court is of the opinion that no useful purpose can be served by keeping with the criminal proceedings pending, since the complainant has himself compromised the dispute with the petitioner/accused.

[5]. In the circumstances, the present petition is allowed. F.I.R No.0072, dated 24.07.2018, under Section 295-A of the Indian Penal Code, registered at Police Station City-2 Mansa, District Mansa (Annexure P-1), with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom, is hereby quashed qua the present petitioner.

08.01.2021

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**(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes

2. Whether reportable: No