

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

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**CRM-M-21914-2021 (O&M)
DATE OF DECISION: 12.08.2021**

AMRIK SINGH AND ANR

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Parminder Singh Kanwar, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Jagjeet Singh, Advocate for the complainant.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioners are seeking quashing of FIR No.95 dated 29.11.2019, under Sections 419, 465, 468, 471 IPC registered at Police Station Verowal, District Tarn Taran, on the basis of compromise dated 17.05.2021 (Annexure P-2), which has been arrived at between the parties.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that it is alleged that the petitioner No.1, who was the Sarpanch, had forged the signatures of respondent No.2 (Gram Panchayat) to complete the quorum, however, no decision was taken in the meeting. He also contends that the FIR had been registered on account of differences between the petitioners and respondent No.2 which have now been resolved and the matter has been compromised. He has referred to the copy of the compromise at Annexure P-2.

Learned counsel for the complainant states that the matter has indeed been compromised.

This Court, vide order dated 02.07.2021 had directed the parties to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate/trial Court for recording their statements and send a report as to whether the compromise has been arrived at without any coercion or undue influence. The report of the SDJM, Khadur Sahib dated 09.08.2021 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 compromise which has been effected is genuine, voluntary and without undue influence.

The FIR is outcome of differences between the petitioners and respondent No.2 which have 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 vs. State of Punjab 2014 (6) SCC 466**, no useful purpose will be served by continuing the criminal proceedings. Therefore, the petition is allowed and FIR No.95 dated 29.11.2019, under Sections 419, 465, 468, 471 IPC registered at Police Station Verowal, District Tarn Taran and all consequential proceedings are hereby quashed qua the petitioners.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

12.08.2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No