

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-24536-2021

DATE OF DECISION: 12.08.2021

HARPREET SINGH @ LOVELY

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Vipin Mahajan, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Vishal Munjal, Advocate for the complainant.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking quashing of FIR No.68 dated 08.06.2021, under Section 379-B IPC registered at Police Station Sadar Gurdaspur, District Gurdaspur, on the basis of compromise dated 19.06.2021 (Annexure P-2), which has been arrived at between the parties.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that it is alleged in the FIR that the petitioner had snatched `2,000/- from the complainant. He, however, contends that the FIR is outcome of a misunderstanding between the parties who were known to each other 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 05.07.2021 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 ACJM, Gurdaspur dated 15.07.2021 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 a misunderstanding between the parties who were known to each other 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.68 dated 08.06.2021, under Section 379-B IPC registered at Police Station Sadar Gurdaspur, District Gurdaspur 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