

Jarnail Singh and others**...Petitioners****Versus****State of Punjab and another****...Respondents****CORAM:- HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR**

Present: Mr. Paras Jagga,, Advocate for the petitioners.

Ms. Rashmi Attri, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Sukhbir Mandi, Advocate for respondent No. 2.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)

1. This petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure seeking quashing of FIR No. 40 dated 12.03.2019 under Sections 406 and 498A IPC registered at Police Station Sadar Patiala, District Patiala and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom in view of the compromise arrived at between the parties.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners state that the matter has been amicably compromised between the parties and they have resolved their disputes and differences.

3. Keeping in view the fact that the parties have entered into a compromise, they were directed to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate forgetting their statements recorded in support of the compromise. In pursuance of the direction, a report has been received from Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate, Patiala, stating that the compromise arrived at between the parties is genuine and without any pressure or coercion.

4. Learned Assistant Advocate General, Punjab, on instructions from the Investigating Officer and learned counsel for the complainant/respondent No.2 admit the factum of compromise and the counsel for the respondent-State submits in case the parties have indeed settled their dispute, the State would have no objection to the quashing of the FIR, in view of the law laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and have gone through the record.

6. In a decision, based on compromise, none of the parties is a loser. Rather, a compromise not only brings peace and harmony between the parties to a dispute, but also restores tranquility in the society. After considering the nature of offences allegedly committed and the fact that both the parties have amicably settled their dispute, continuance of criminal prosecution would be an exercise in futility, as the chances of ultimate conviction are bleak.

7. Consequently, keeping in view the fact that the dispute has been amicably settled and in view of the law laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in 'Narinder Singh and others vs. State of Punjab and another, (2014) 6 SCC 466', this petition is allowed and FIR No. 40 dated 12.03.2019 under Sections 406 and 498A IPC registered at Police Station Sadar Patiala, District Patiala and all subsequent proceedings arising out of the same are quashed *qua* petitioners.

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JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes
Whether Reportable : Yes

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No