

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

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**CRM-M-31737-2021(O&M)  
Decided on : 20.09.2021**

VISHANT BHATIA

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

... Respondent(s)

**CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL  
(Through Video Conferencing)**

PRESENT: Mr. G.S. Jagpal, Advocate  
for the petitioner(s).

Mr. Luvinder Sofat, AAG Punjab.

Mr. Sachin Kalia, Advocate  
for respondent No.2.

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**MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (Oral)**

The instant petition is filed under Section 482 CrPC for quashing of FIR No.55 dated 09.07.2017 under Sections 406 and 498-A registered at Women Police Station, District Police Commissionerate Ludhiana and all the consequential proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise dated 18.03.2021 (Annexure P-2).

Vide order dated 09.08.2021 of this Court, the parties were directed to appear before the learned trial Court/Illaq Magistrate on 19.08.2021 to get their statements recorded regarding the compromise arrived at, between them.

Report has since been received from the learned JMJC, Ludhiana, in pursuance to the direction of this Court. As per the report,

compromise has indeed been effected between the parties and the same is without any pressure or coercion and out of their free will. The trial Court has annexed the copies of statements of the parties with its report.

Learned State counsel too submits that there are no other accused other than the petitioner and respondent No.2 is the only aggrieved person in the FIR in question.

In view of the report of the Ld. JMIC, Ludhiana, and the principles laid down by the Apex Court in **Gian Singh Vs. State of Punjab and others (2012) 10 SCC 303**, and also by the Full Bench of this Court in **Kulwinder Singh and others Vs. State of Punjab and another, 2007(3) RCR (Criminal) 1052**, the instant petition is allowed. The aforesaid FIR and all consequential proceedings arising out of it, are quashed.

Needless to say the parties shall remain bound by the terms of compromise and their statements recorded before the Court below.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)  
JUDGE

**September 20, 2021**

*S.Sharma(syr)*

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| <i>Whether speaking/reasoned:</i> | <i>Yes/No</i> |
| <i>Whether Reportable:</i>        | <i>Yes/No</i> |