

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

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CRM-M-33642-2021

DATE OF DECISION: 22.09.2021

GURDEEP SINGH ALIAS GAGGI AND ANOTHER

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Munish Raj, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Ramdeep Partap Singh, Senior DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Gagandeep Singh, Advocate for the complainant.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioners are seeking quashing of FIR No.30 dated 06.05.2021, under Sections 457, 380 IPC registered at Police Station Phool, District Bathinda, on the basis of compromise dated 29.07.2021 (Annexure P-2), which has been arrived at between the parties.

Learned counsel for the petitioners contends that there is delay for over a month in lodging the FIR wherein it was alleged that household articles were stolen. The petitioners had been arraigned as accused merely on suspicion. He also contends that the matter has now been compromised and has referred to the copy of the compromise at Annexure P-2.

Mr. Gagandeep Singh, Advocate has put in appearance on behalf of respondent No.2 and states that the matter has indeed been compromised.

This Court, vide order dated 19.08.2021 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 Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate, Phul, dated 06.09.2021 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.

Heard.

The petitioners are stated to have been arraigned as accused merely on the basis of suspicion. The matter has now 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.30 dated 06.05.2021, under Sections 457, 380 IPC registered at Police Station Phool, District Bathinda, on the basis of compromise dated 29.07.2021 and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom are hereby quashed qua the petitioner(s).

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

30.09.2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No