

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

(Sr. No. 239)

CRM-M No. 33832 of 2020

Date of decision : 24.03.2021

Manjit Singh and others

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present : Mr. Gaurav Partap Singh Pathania, Advocate for the petitioners.
Ms. Samina Dhir, DAG, Punjab.

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DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up through video conferencing.

The present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of FIR No. 0135 dated 16.11.2019 under Sections 341, 323, 34 IPC (Section 325 IPC added later on) registered at Police Station Sujampur, district Pathankot on the basis of a compromise dated 29/30.06.2020 (Annexure P-2) entered into between the parties.

On 27.10.2020 this Court had directed the parties to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate/trial Court on 25.11.2020 for recording of their respective statements with regard to the compromise, who in turn was directed to submit a report along with the recorded statements with regard to the veracity of the compromise between the parties as also to apprise this Court whether all the accused are party to the compromise; whether any of them have ever been declared proclaimed offender(s) and if is there any

other criminal case pending against them.

As directed, report dated 25.01.2021 from the Chief Judicial Magistrate, Pathankot has been received, as per which the parties had recorded their statements before the trial Court in terms of the compromise arrived at between them and that no proclamation proceedings/criminal cases are pending against the petitioners.

Learned State counsel has also raised no objection if the present petition is allowed.

In view of the above, continuation of the proceedings in pursuance of the afore-referred FIR in which the offences are not heinous and where the investigation is at an early stage and the parties belong to the same locality and also the matter having been compromised, would be an abuse of the process of law and in terms of the law laid down by the Full Bench of this Court in *Kulwinder Singh and others Vs. State of Punjab and others*, 2007 (3) RCR (Criminal) 1052, this Court deems it just and proper to allow the petition and resultantly quash FIR No. 0135 dated 16.11.2019 under Sections 341, 323, 34 IPC (Section 325 IPC added later on) registered at Police Station Sujanpur, district Pathankot and all proceedings arising therefrom qua the petitioners.

24.03.2021

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**(DEEPAK SIBAL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No