

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

CRM-M No.40494 of 2020

Date of Decision : 05.04.2021

Anwar Masih

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab & another

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA

Present : Mr. Vipul Aggarwal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. B.S. Sewak, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

None for respondent No.2.

SUDIP AHLUWALIA, J. (ORAL)

In this petition, the petitioner, who is the accused in F.I.R No.06 dated 14.03.2019, under Section 498-A of IPC, 1860 registered at Police Station PS NRI, District Police Commissionerate Jalandhar ,(Annexure P-1), has prayed for quashing of F.I.R. with all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom, on the basis of compromise.

2. With the intervention of respectables and elderly people of the society, the complainant has arrived at a settlement with the accused vide Compromise (Annexure P-2), which is duly signed by her. The matter was referred to the Court below for recording of statements of the parties and to report with respect to genuineness of the compromise arrived at between the parties. The Ld. Chief Judicial Magistrate, Jalandhar, vide report dated 29.01.2021 has apprised this Court that the compromise arrived at between the parties is genuine and without any pressure.

3. Respondent No.2 is not present nor she is represented by her Counsel. However, Respondent No.2 has made statement on 14.01.2021,

before the Ld. Chief Judicial Magistrate, Jalandhar, whereby, she has admitted the factum of compromise with the accused and deposed that the compromise has been effected between her voluntarily and without any undue influence, coercion or pressure.

4. In view of the report of the Ld. Chief Judicial Magistrate, Jalandhar, and in view of the decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in **“Gian Singh Vs. State of Punjab and another”, 2012(4) RCR (Criminal) 543** and **“Narinder Singh and Others Vs. State of Punjab and Another”, (2014) 6 SCC 466**, this Court is of the opinion that no useful purpose can be served by keeping with the criminal proceedings pending, since the Respondent No.2 has herself compromised the dispute with the accused.

5. In the circumstances, the present petition is allowed. F.I.R No.06 dated 14.03.2019, under Section 498-A of IPC, 1860 registered at Police Station PS NRI, District Police Commissionerate Jalandhar, (Annexure P-1), and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom, are hereby quashed *qua* the present petitioner.

05.04.2021
Jitesh (JTS)

(SUDIP AHLUWALIA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No