

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-39921-2020

DATE OF DECISION: 11.01.2021

MANPREET SINGH

... Petitioner (s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANR.

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Mr. Rakesh Gupta, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Arjun Attri, Advocate for respondent No.2.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking quashing of FIR No. 9 dated 06.02.2020, under Section 420 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, and Section 13 of the Punjab Travel Professionals (Regulation) Act, 2014, registered at Police Station Kheri Nodh Singh, District Fatehgarh Sahib, on the basis of compromise arrived at between the parties.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the FIR is the outcome of a monetary dispute which has now been resolved. The matter has been compromised. He has referred to the copy of the compromise at Annexure P2.

Learned counsel for respondent No.2 states that the matter has indeed been compromised.

This Court vide order dated 02.12.2020 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 JMIC, Khamanon dated 24.12.2020 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.

The FIR is an outcome of a monetary dispute which has now been resolved and the matter has 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. 9 dated 06.02.2020, under Section 420 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, and Section 13 of the Punjab Travel Professionals (Regulation) Act, 2014, registered at Police Station Kheri Nodh Singh, District Fatehgarh Sahib and all consequential proceedings are hereby quashed qua the petitioner(s).

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

11.01.2021.

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