

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

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CRM-M-190-2021

Date of decision : 19.02.2021.

Kulwant Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

.. Respondents

CORAM :HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Mr. Ritesh Aggarwal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Dhruv Dayal, Senior DAG, Punjab.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)

Heard through video conferencing.

The petitioner is seeking quashing of FIR No. 152 dated 07.08.2020, under Section 498-A of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Police Station Kotwali Nabha, District Patiala, on the basis of compromise arrived at between the parties.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the FIR is the outcome of a matrimonial dispute between the petitioner and respondent No.2 and the matter has now been compromised. He has referred to the copy of the compromise at Annexure P2.

This Court vide order dated 06.01.2021 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, Nabha dated 21.01.2021 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.

The FIR is the outcome of a matrimonial dispute between the petitioner and respondent No.2 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. 152 dated 07.08.2020, under Section 498-A of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, registered at Police Station Kotwali Nabha, District Patiala and all consequential proceedings are hereby quashed qua the petitioner.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

February 19, 2021
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No