

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

Sr. No.266

CRM-M-1449-2021

Date of decision: 28.04.2022

Nirmal Singh

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present: None for the petitioner.

Mr. Kirat Singh Sidhu, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Ankit Kharbanda, Advocate,
for respondent No.2.

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DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (Oral)

The present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of FIR No.08 dated 20.01.2020 registered under Sections 406, 498-A IPC at Police Station Women Cell, Ludhiana and all subsequent proceedings arising out of it on the basis of the compromise dated 15.02.2020 (Annexure P-2).

On 13.01.2021 this Court had directed the parties to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate/Trial Court on 18.02.2021 for recording of their respective statements with regard to the compromise/settlement, who in turn was directed to submit a report along with the recorded statements with regard to the veracity of the compromise, if any, between the parties as also to apprise this Court if there is any other case pending against them; total number of accused involved in the case and his/their status of being proclaimed offender/person.

As directed, report dated 17.02.2021 from the Judicial Magistrate, Ist Class, Ludhiana 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 the petitioner has not been declared a proclaimed offender.

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 which originates from a matrimonial dispute and 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 the FIR No.08 dated 20.01.2020 registered under Sections 406, 498-A IPC at Police Station Women Cell, Ludhiana and all proceedings arising therefrom, qua the petitioner.

April 28, 2022
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(DEEPAK SIBAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No