

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Sr. No. 275

CRM-M-15774-2022

Date of decision : 24.08.2022

Gagandeep Singh Chhabra and another

..... Petitioners

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present: Mr.J.S.Lalli, Advocate, for the petitioners.

Ms.Himani Arora, AAG, Punjab.

Mr.M.S.Sidhu, Advocate, for respondents No.2 and 3.

DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (ORAL)

The present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of FIR No.52 dated 25.03.2022 registered under Sections 323, 354-A, 448, 509, 427 and 34 IPC at Police Station Division No.5, Jalandhar on the basis of a written compromise dated 04.04.2022 (Annexure P-3) entered into between the parties.

On 19.04.2022 this Court had directed the parties to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate/Trial Court 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 20.05.2022 from the Judicial Magistrate, Ist Class, Jalandhar 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; the same genuine and has been effected voluntarily without any

pressure, coercion or undue influence; only the petitioners are arrayed as accused; they have not been declared proclaimed offender(s) and that they are not involved in any other criminal case.

Learned State counsel has 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 offences are not heinous as 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 Supreme Court in *Narinder Singh vs State of Punjab* (2014) 6 SCC 466, this Court deems it just and proper to allow the petition and resultantly quash FIR No.52 dated 25.03.2022 registered under Sections 323, 354-A, 448, 509, 427 and 34 IPC at Police Station Division No.5, Jalandhar and all proceedings arising therefrom qua the petitioners.

24.08.2022
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[DEEPAK SIBAL]
JUDGE

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