

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

Sr. No.257

CRM-M-17786-2021

Date of decision: 25.04.2022

Sonu and others

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present: Mr. Neeraj Madaan, Advocate for the petitioners.

Ms. Gunkirat Kaur, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Digvijay Nagpal, Advocate for
Mr. Varun Sharma, Advocate, for respondents No.2 and 3.

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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.0198 dated 23.12.2020 registered under Sections 363, 366 IPC (Section 120-B IPC added later on) at Police Station Jalalabad, District Fazilka and all subsequent proceedings arising out of it on the basis of the compromise dated 24.03.2021 (Annexure P-2).

On 29.04.2021 this Court had directed the parties to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate/Trial Court on 07.05.2021 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 20.07.2021 from the Sub-Divisional Judicial Magistrate, Jalalabad (West) 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 petitioners are the only accused in the present FIR and none of them has 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 in which the offences are not heinous, 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.0198 dated 23.12.2020 registered under Sections 363, 366 IPC (Section 120-B IPC added later on) at Police Station Jalalabad, District Fazilka and all proceedings arising therefrom, qua the petitioners.

April 25, 2022
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(DEEPAK SIBAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No