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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-31524-2021
Date of decision: 14.07.2022

PARVEEN VERMA

...Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAISHREE THAKUR

Present:- Mr. Saurabh Kapoor, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Deepali Puri, Addl. A. G., Punjab.

Mr. Shalinder Mohan Goyal, Advocate
for respondent No. 2-Complainant.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J. (Oral)

This petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure seeking quashing of FIR No.0016, dated 22.03.2018, under Section 498-A of IPC, registered at Police Station Women, Jalandhar (Annexure P-1) and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise dated 26.05.2021 (Annexure P-2) effected between the parties.

The aforesaid FIR has been registered on the statement of complainant/respondent No.2-Simrandeep Kaur. Now with the intervention of respectable persons, the matter has been amicably compromised between the parties and they have resolved their disputes and differences.

Keeping in view the fact that the parties have entered into a compromise, they were directed to appear before the trial Court/Illaq Magistrate for getting their statements recorded in support of the compromise.

In pursuance of the direction, a report has been received from the learned Judicial Magistrate Ist Class, Jalandhar stating that the compromise has been effected between the parties voluntarily and without any external coercion or pressure.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent-State on instructions from the Investigating Officer and learned counsel for the respondent No.2 admit the factum of compromise. Learned State counsel would submit that in case the parties have indeed settled their dispute, the State would have no objection to the quashing of the FIR, in view of the law laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

I have heard learned counsel for the parties and have gone through the record.

In a decision, based on compromise, none of the parties is a loser. Rather, a compromise not only brings peace and harmony between the parties to a dispute, but also restores tranquility in the society. After considering the nature of offences allegedly committed and the fact that both the parties have amicably settled their dispute, continuance of criminal prosecution would be an exercise in futility, as the chances of ultimate conviction are bleak.

Consequently, keeping in view the fact that the dispute has been amicably settled between the parties and in view of the law laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in **Narinder Singh and others versus State**

of Punjab and another, (2014) 6 SCC 466, the instant petition is allowed and FIR No.0016, dated 22.03.2018, under Section 498-A of IPC, registered at Police Station Women, Jalandhar (Annexure P-1) and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom, are quashed qua petitioner herein on the basis of compromise dated 26.05.2021 (Annexure P-2) effected between the parties.

14.07.2022
Chetan Thakur

(JAISHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE

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