

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Sr. No. 275

CRM-M-36159-2021

Date of decision : 15.09.2022

Labhjinder Singh @ Lovejinder Singh

..... Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab and another

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present: Mr.Vinay Puri, Advocate, for
 Mr.D.K.Bhatti, Advocate, for the petitioner.

 Ms.Himani Arora, AAG, Punjab.

 None for respondent No.2.

DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (ORAL)

The present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of FIR No.125 dated 21.12.2019 registered under Sections 406 and 498-A IPC at Police Station Women, District Jalandhar on the basis of a written compromise dated 21.12.2020 (Annexure P-1) entered into between the parties.

On 10.11.2021 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 validity or otherwise of the compromise between the parties as also to apprise this Court the name of the complainant and all accused arrayed in the FIR; whether all of them have appeared and made their respective statements in support of the compromise; whether any of the accused has been declared a proclaimed offender; the stage of trial/proceedings and if the compromise is genuine, voluntarily and out of free will of the parties.

As directed, report dated 13.12.2021 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; respondent No.2 is the complainant; only the petitioner is arrayed as the accused; the complainant and the petitioner have appeared before the Trial Court and made their respective statements in support of the compromise; accused has not been declared a proclaimed offender; the case is fixed for the prosecution evidence and that the compromise effected between the parties is voluntary, without any pressure or coercion and is genuine one.

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 which arises from a matrimonial dispute 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.125 dated 21.12.2019 registered under Sections 406 and 498-A IPC at Police Station Women, District Jalandhar and all proceedings arising therefrom qua the petitioner.

15.09.2022
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[DEEPAK SIBAL]
JUDGE

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