

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Sr. No. 272

CRM-M-54076-2021

Date of decision : 27.04.2022

Janoj Kumar and others

..... Petitioners

VERSUS

State of Punjab and another

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present: Mr.N.K.Vashisth, Advocate, for
Mr.Munish Garg, Advocate, for the petitioners.

Mr.Saurav Khurana, DAG, 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.131 dated 07.11.2019 registered under Sections 498-A, 406 and 323 IPC at Police Station Tapa Mandi, District Barnala, on the basis of a compromise entered into between the parties.

On 08.02.2022 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 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 the trial/proceedings and whether the compromise is genuine, voluntarily and out of free will.

As directed, report dated 30.03.2022 from the Additional Civil Judge (Senior Division), Barnala 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; only the petitioners are arrayed as accused; none of them has been declared proclaimed offender and that the compromise is genuine, without any pressure, coercion or undue influence.

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 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 FIR No.131 dated 07.11.2019 registered under Sections 498-A, 406 and 323 IPC at Police Station Tapa Mandi, District Barnala and all proceedings arising therefrom qua the petitioners.

27.04.2022
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[DEEPAK SIBAL]
JUDGE

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