

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

CRM-M-275-2023

Date of decision: 21.04.2023

SATNAM SINGH AND ORS

...Petitioners

V/s

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA

Present: Mr. Naveen Batra, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Vinay Kumar Gupta, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Mohan Singh Chauhan, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

HARKESH MANUJA J. (ORAL)

By way of present petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C., the petitioner prays for quashing of FIR No.69 dated 14.06.2018, under Sections 382, 323, 353, 341, 186 and 34 of Indian Penal Code registered at Police Kiratpur Sahib, District Rupnagar (Annexure P-1) along with all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise dated 18.11.2022.

2. As per the allegations levelled in the FIR, petitioners, in drunk condition, stuck their motor-cycle in the complainant's car. Thereafter, they stopped the car of complainant and gave beatings to him.

3. In pursuance to an order dated 22.02.2023, passed by this Court, whereby the parties were directed to appear before the trial Court for getting their statements recorded, a report dated 27.03.2023 has been received from

the concerned court stating that the compromise is genuine and entered into voluntarily with free will of the parties without any coercion or undue influence or pressure of any kind. No accused has been declared as PO.

4. Once, the compromise has been arrived at between the parties without any pressure and respondent No.2 having no objection as regards quashing of FIR as well as all other subsequent proceedings arising out of the same against the petitioners; the dispute being purely personal in nature, there does not appear to be any impediment as regards quashing of present FIR. Even otherwise, in order to maintain peace and harmony between the parties, particularly under the circumstances wherein the alleged offences have no societal interest involved, it would be appropriate to render complete quietus to the aforementioned dispute by quashing the FIR on the basis of compromise entered into between the parties.

5. The parties having settled their dispute so as to live in peace in future, no useful purpose would be served by proceeding further with the criminal proceedings. In the light of above developments, no cause remains for the trial Court to invest further time and effort in adjudicating this FIR. The compromise in question is even found to be fully in consonance with the directions issued by this Court in ***Kulwinder Singh & Ors. Vs. State of Punjab 2007(3) RCR (Criminal) 1052 and Gian Singh Vs. State of Punjab & Anr., 2012(4) RCR (Crl.) 543.***

6. Thus, in view of the aforesaid report accompanied by statements of both the parties as well as keeping in mind the law laid down in the aforementioned judgments, FIR No.69 dated 14.06.2018, under Sections 382, 323, 353, 341, 186 and 34 of Indian Penal Code registered at

Police Kiratpur Sahib, District Rupnagar (Annexure P-1) as well as all the subsequent proceedings arising therefrom are hereby quashed qua the petitioners.

7. Accordingly, petition stands allowed, subject to payment of costs of Rs.10,000/- to be deposited by the petitioners with the Punjab and Haryana High Court Bar Association, within a period of two weeks from today.

21.04.2023
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(HARKESH MANUJA)
JUDGE

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