

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(257)

CRM-M-2709-2023

Date of Decision: 28.02.2023

Vikram Singh and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Haryana and another

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA

Present: Mr. Abhinav Aggarwal, Advocate, for the petitioners.

Mr. Sumit Jain, Addl. A. G. Haryana.

Mr. Gaurav Tyagi, Advocate, for the respondent No.2.

HARKESH MANUJA, J.(ORAL)

By way of present petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C., petitioners pray for quashing of FIR No.0398 dated 19.06.2020, registered under Sections 406 and 420 IPC, 1860 and Section 24 of Immigration Act (Added lateron Sections 370, 384 & 34 IPC and names of petitioners No.3 and 4 in the final report dated 02.10.2021) at Police Station Karnal Sadar, Karnal (Annexure P-1) along with all consequential proceedings arising out of the same on the basis of compromise dated 30.12.2022 (Annexure P-2).

2. In the present case, petitioners have cheated the complainant party and taken huge amount with an assurance for sending him abroad but they have failed to do so and not returned the amount, resulting into the registration of present FIR.

3. In pursuance to an order dated 18.01.2023 passed by this Court, whereby the parties were directed to appear before the trial Court for getting their statements recorded as regards, the veracity of compromise arrived at

between them, report dated 20.02.2023 has been received from the concerned court, stating that the compromise in the present case is valid, genuine, voluntary and without any coercion or under influence. There is no other accused except the present petitioners and a sole complainant namely, Vishal. No accused has been declared as proclaimed offender. The stage of trial was fixed for evidence of prosecution.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that once, the compromise has been arrived at between the parties without any pressure and respondent No.2 has no objection as regards quashing of FIR as well as 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. He further submits that 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. On the other hand learned State counsel submits that petitioners have cheated the complainant party by taking huge amount with the assurance for sending him abroad but they have failed to do so and not returned his money.

6. Having heard learned counsel for the parties, they having settled their dispute so as to live peacefully 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 found to be

fully in consonance with the direction issued by the 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.

7. 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 judgment, FIR No.0398 dated 19.06.2020, registered under Sections 406 and 420 IPC, 1860 and Section 24 of Immigration Act (Added lateron Sections 370, 384 & 34 IPC and names of petitioners No.3 and 4 in the final report dated 02.10.2021) at Police Station Karnal Sadar, Karnal (Annexure P-1) as well as all the subsequent proceedings arising therefrom are hereby quashed.

8. The aforesaid order shall however, be subject to payment of costs of Rs.10,000/- to be deposited with the Punjab and Haryana High Court Association Lawyer's Family Welfare Fund having Account No.41564846387 with State Bank of India, High Court Branch, Chandigarh, within a period of two weeks from today.

Petition stands disposed of

(HARKESH MANUJA)
JUDGE

28.02.2023
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No