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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-9255-2022
Date of decision :22.02.2023

RAHUL RANA

... PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI

Present: Mr. Mandeep Kumar Dhot, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Navreet Kaur Barnala, Asstt. A.G., Punjab.

Mr. Naveen Kumar, Advocate
for respondent Nos. 2 to 4.

JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J. (ORAL)

The prayer in this petition is for quashing of an FIR No. 161 dated 06.11.2021 registered under Section 3 (1) (u) of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 (Amendment 2015) at Police Station Nangal, District Rupnagar along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of a compromise arrived at between the parties.

Vide order dated 04.03.2022 this Court had directed the parties to appear before Illaqa Magistrate/Trial Court for getting their statements recorded with regard to the compromise dated 07.12.2021 (P-2).

The Illaqa Magistrate/trial Court was to submit a report in this regard giving certain details as enumerated in the said order.

Pursuant to the order dated 04.03.2022 passed by this Court, the parties have appeared before the learned Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Nangal, Rupnagar and as per the report dated 03.01.2023 submitted to this Court, both the

parties have got recorded their respective statements in Court.

A perusal of the aforesaid report would show that the parties have effected a genuine compromise without there being any pressure, coercion or undue influence. In view of the compromise there is a remote possibility of the complainant coming forward to support the prosecution case. The powers under Section 482 Cr.PC can be exercised in such like situation in order to prevent unnecessary vagaries of criminal trial to be faced by the parties, when there are remote chances of conviction of the accused. 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***”.

In view of the aforesaid report of the learned Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Nangal, Rupnagar accompanied by statements of both the parties, the FIR No. 161 dated 06.11.2021 registered under Section 3 (1) (u) of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 (Amendment 2015) at Police Station Nangal, District Rupnagar along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom are hereby quashed qua the petitioner.

Petition stands disposed of.

(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE

22.02.2023

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Whether speaking/reasoned:- Yes/No

Whether reportable:- Yes/No