

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

**CRM-M No.10504 of 2023
Date of Decision: 11.09.2023**

Darshan Singh & Ors.

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and Ors.

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA

Present:- Mr. Gurmeet Singh Saini, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Mr. Virat Rana, AAG, Punjab,
for respondent No.1-State.

Mr. Balraj Singh Sidhu, Advocate,
for respondents No.2 & 3.

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MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA, J.(ORAL)

The petitioners herein pray for the quashing of the FIR bearing No.0009 dated 19.08.2022 as registered at Police Station Women, District Ferozepur, under Sections 498-A and 406 IPC as well as all the consequent proceedings arising therefrom, while averring that the parties have arrived at a compromise regarding their dispute, culminating in the registration of the said FIR.

2. Bereft of unnecessary details, the allegations, as levelled by respondent No.2-complainant in the subject FIR, are that the petitioners had subjected his daughter named Mandeep Kaur, i.e respondent No.3, to cruelty for bringing insufficient dowry and for demanding more dowry and

also due to the non-fulfilment of their above-said demand and now, they have turned her out of her matrimonial home.

3. Vide the order dated 28.02.2023 as passed by the Co-ordinate Bench, the parties were directed to appear before the concerned Illaqa/Duty Magistrate on 13.03.2023 for recording their statements in respect of the afore-referred compromise and in compliance of this order, learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Ferozepur, recorded their (parties') statements and has submitted his report (as already available on the file), while mentioning therein that the compromise arrived at between the parties seems to be genuine and to have been affected by them voluntarily and as per the statement of Investigating Officer ASI Pritam Singh, except the petitioners, none else has been arraigned as the accused in the case and the petitioners are neither involved nor have been declared proclaimed offenders in any other criminal case. Statements of the petitioners, respondents No.2 & 3 and the above-named ASI, have been annexed with the above-said report.

4. I have heard learned counsel for the petitioners as well as learned State counsel and learned counsel for respondents No.2 & 3, in the present petition and have also perused the file thoroughly.

5. The afore-mentioned compromise has been affected to put the dispute between the parties at rest for all the times to come and in view of the same, there are bleak chances of the conviction of the petitioners and in these circumstances, the continuation of the proceedings in the case arisen out of the subject FIR, would be an exercise in futility.

6. Keeping in view the above-discussed facts and circumstances and also the observations as made by Hon'ble the Supreme Court in **Gian**

Singh Versus State of Punjab and another (2012)4 RCR (Criminal) 543,

the FIR bearing No.0009 dated 19.08.2022 as registered at Police Station Women, District Ferozepur, under Sections 498-A and 406 IPC and all the consequent proceedings arising therefrom (if any), are hereby quashed. The petition in hand stands allowed accordingly.

11.09.2023

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**(MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes
Whether Reportable: No