

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-15548-2023
Date of Decision:13.07.2023

Sarabjit Singh and OthersPetitioners
Vs.
State of Punjab and OthersRespondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA

Present:- Mr. Bhriugu Dutt Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Parneet Singh Pandher, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Pawan Sharma, Advocate
for respondent Nos.2 to 4.

DEEPAK GUPTA, J.

Prayer in this petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. is for quashing of F.I.R. No.180 dated 19.10.2020 registered under Sections 406, 420, 506, 120-B of the IPC, 1860 and Sections 4, 5, 6 of Prize Chits and Money Circulation Schemes (Banning) Act, 1978 registered at Police Station Cantt., Jalandhar and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise dated 02.03.2023 (Annexure P-2).

This Court vide order dated 11.04.2023 had directed the parties to appear before the trial Court to get their statements recorded and the learned Magistrate was directed to send its report qua the genuineness of the compromise.

Pursuant to the aforesaid order, parties have appeared before Learned Judicial Magistrate 1st Class and got their statements recorded. On the basis of the statements so recorded, Learned Magistrate has submitted

report dated 28.04.2023 to the effect that the compromise has been effected between the parties voluntarily and without any coercion or undue influence.

Learned State counsel as well as learned counsel for respondent Nos.2 to 4 have not disputed the factum of compromise between the parties.

In view of the above, no useful purpose would be served to continue with the proceedings before the trial Court in the instant F.I.R.

Following the principles laid down by the Full Bench judgment of this Court in *Kulwinder Singh and others Versus State of Punjab and another 2007 (3) RCR (Criminal) 1052* and approved by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in *Gian Singh Versus State of Punjab and others (2012) 10 SCC 303*, this petition is allowed and F.I.R. No.180 dated 19.10.2020 registered under Sections 406, 420, 506, 120-B of the IPC, 1860 and Sections 4, 5, 6 of Prize Chits and Money Circulation Schemes (Banning) Act,1978 registered at Police Station Cantt., Jalandhar and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise dated 02.03.2023 (Annexure P-2), are quashed qua the petitioners.

July 13, 2023
Neetika Tuteja

(DEEPAK GUPTA)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No