

CRM-M No.20687 of 2023

2023:PHHC:160089

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

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**CRM-M No.20687 of 2023
Date of Decision: 13.12.2023**

**SUKHWINDER SINGH ALIAS HEERA AND OTHERS
.....Petitioners**

Vs

**STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER
....Respondents**

CORAM: *HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA*

Present: Ms. Gursimran Walia, Advocate for
Mr. Ashok Kumar Arora, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Gurlal Singh Dhillon, Asstt. A.G., Punjab.

Mr. Namish Sodhi, Advocate
For respondent No.2.

HARKESH MANUJA, J. (Oral)

1. By way of present petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C., the petitioners pray for quashing of FIR No.114 dated 15.07.2020 registered under Sections 323, 452, 148, 149 IPC at Police Station Cantonment, District Police Commissionerate Amritsar along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise deed dated 25.08.2022 (Annexure P-3) and compromise dated 05.04.2023 (Annexure P-6).

2. Notice of motion was issued on 26.04.2023 and both the parties were directed to appear before the Trial Court/Illaq Magistrate on 29.05.2023 for recording their statements with regard to the compromise. However, the parties

could not appear on the date fixed, thereafter both the parties were again directed to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate/Trial Court for recording their respective statements with regard to the compromise on 24.08.2023.

3. In pursuance to the aforesaid orders dated 26.04.2023 and 31.07.2023 passed by this Court, whereby the parties were directed to appear before the Trial Court/Illaqa Magistrate for getting their statements recorded as regards the veracity of compromise arrived at between them, a report dated 09.10.2023 has been received from the concerned court, stating that compromise effected between the parties is genuine, voluntary and without any coercion or undue influence. No accused has been declared as proclaimed offender.

4. Thus 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; there does not appear to be any impediment as regards quashing of present FIR qua the petitioners. Even otherwise, in order to maintain peace and harmony between the parties, particularly under the present 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 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.

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, the FIR No.114 dated 15.07.2020 registered under Sections 323, 452, 148, 149 IPC at Police Station Cantonment, District Police Commissionerate Amritsar as well as all the subsequent proceedings arising therefrom are hereby quashed qua the petitioners.

7. Accordingly, petition stands allowed however subject to payment of cost(s) of Rs.5,000/- to be deposited by the petitioners with the Bharat Sewak Samaj, Nehru Bhawan, Sector 24, Chandigarh, within a period of two weeks from today.

December 13, 2023
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(HARKESH MANUJA)
JUDGE

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