

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

**CRM-M-25286-2022 (O&M)
DATE OF DECISION : 20.07.2023**

Gopal Dhir **...Petitioner**

Versus

State of Punjab and another **...Respondents**

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present : Mr. Anil Kumar Lamdharia, Advocate,
For the petitioner.

Mr. Sunil Kumar, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. C.S.Singhal, Advocate,
For respondent No.2.

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner seeks quashing of FIR No.75dated 30.06.2017 (Annexure P-1) registered under Section 420, 406, 465, 467,468, 471, 120-B IPC, at Police Station, City Dhuri, District Sangrur, on the basis of compromise dated 06.12.2017 (Annexure P-2), stated to have been arrived between the parties.

2. Since quashing was sought on the basis of compromise, this Court on 02.06.2022 had directed the parties to appear before the *Illaq* Magistrate for recording their statements in support of the compromise. A veracity report was also called for.

3. Report dated 04.08.2022 of learned Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate, Dhuri, had been received. Report reveals that statements of complainant party i.e. respondent No.2as also of accused/present petitioner herein, were duly recorded. It is opined that a compromise has been arrived at without any pressure, undue influence or coercion. The

report is accompanied by the statements of parties. It is apparent that the complainant/respondent No.2 and accused/petitioner have arrived at a compromise voluntarily and without any coercion.

4. Learned counsel for complainant/respondent No.2 states that he would have no objection to the quashing of FIR in question.

5. This Court in appropriate cases can exercise the power under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of criminal proceedings/FIR on the basis of compromise. A reference in this regard may be made to a decision dated 29.09.2021 of the Supreme Court in case titled *Ramgopal and anr. V. The State of Madhya Pradesh*¹ and a Full Bench decision of this Court in *Kulwinder Singh and others V. State of Punjab and others*².

6. In the premise, it is an appropriate case for exercise of power under Section 482 Cr.P.C. and to bring to an end the criminal proceedings initiated in the light of impugned FIR.

7. Petition is thus allowed. FIR No.75 dated 30.06.2017 (Annexure P-1) registered under Section 420, 406, 465, 467, 468, 471, 120-B IPC, at Police Station, City Dhuri, District Sangrur and all proceedings emanating therefrom *qua* the petitioner stand quashed.

8. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

20.07.2023

vandana

(ARUN MONGA)

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No

¹Criminal Appeal No.1489 of 2012

²2007 (3) RCR (Criminal) 1052