

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Sr. No. 248

CRM-M-29841-2022

Date of decision : 10.05.2023

Ashwani Kumar

..... Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab and another

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present: None for the petitioner.

Mr.A.P.S.Tung, DAG, Punjab.

None for respondent No.2.

DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (ORAL)

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of FIR No.0181 dated 05.11.2020 registered under Sections 67 and 67-A of the Information Technology Act, 2000 at Police Station Tibba, District Ludhiana and all proceedings arising therefrom qua the petitioner on the basis of a compromise dated 23.05.2022 (Annexure P-2) entered into between the parties.

2. On 06.02.2023 this Court had directed the parties to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate/Trial Court for recording of their respective statements with regard to the compromise, who in turn was directed to submit a report along with the recorded statements with regard to the veracity of the compromise between the parties as also to apprise this Court whether all the accused are party to the compromise; whether any of them have ever been declared proclaimed offender(s) and if is there any other criminal case pending against them.

3. As directed, report dated 01.05.2023 from the Judicial Magistrate Ist Class, Ludhiana has been received as per which the parties had recorded their statements before the Trial Court in terms of the compromise arrived at between them; the same is genuine; the petitioner/accused is party to the compromise; he has not been declared a proclaimed offender and that he is not involved in any other case.

4. Learned State counsel has no objection if the present petition is allowed.

5. In view of the above, continuation of the proceedings in pursuance of the afore-referred FIR which pertains to a dispute between husband and wife which has now been compromised, would be an abuse of the process of law and in terms of the law laid down by the Supreme Court in *Narinder Singh vs State of Punjab* (2014) 6 SCC 466, this Court deems it just and proper to allow the petition and resultantly quash FIR No.0181 dated 05.11.2020 registered under Sections 67 and 67-A of the Information Technology Act, 2000 at Police Station Tibba, District Ludhiana and all proceedings arising therefrom qua the petitioner.

10.05.2023

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[DEEPAK SIBAL]

JUDGE

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