

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

**CRM-M-29854-2023
Date of decision: 08.11.2023**

HARWINDER SINGH AND ORS

...PETITIONERS

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANR

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA

Present: Mr. Amrit Singh Kang, Advocate for the petitioner.
 Mr. Parneet Singh Pandher, AAG, Punjab.
 Mr. Prashant Vashisht, Advocate for respondent No.2.

DEEPAK GUPTA J. (ORAL)

Prayer in this petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. is for quashing of F.I.R. No.151 dated 07.05.2018, registered under Section 379 of IPC and Section 21 of Mines Act, 1952 at Police Station Sahnewal, District Police Commissionerate Ludhiana and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise dated 26.05.2023.

2. This Court vide order dated 03.07.2023 had directed the parties to appear before the Trial Court/Illaq Magistrate to get their statements recorded and the learned Magistrate was directed to send his/her report qua the genuineness of the compromise.

3. Pursuant to the aforesaid order, parties have appeared before learned Additional District & Sessions Judge, Ludhiana and got their statements recorded. On the basis of the statements so recorded, learned Magistrate has submitted report dated 06.11.2023 to the effect that the

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compromise has been effected between the parties voluntarily and without any coercion or undue influence.

4. Statement of Respondent No.2-complainant, namely, Gurmeet Singh with regard to compromise was recorded before learned Magistrate on 06.11.2023.

5. Learned State counsel as well as learned counsel for respondent No.2 have not disputed the factum of compromise between the parties.

6. 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.151 dated 07.05.2018, registered under Section 379 of IPC and Section 21 of Mines Act, 1952 at Police Station Sahnewal, District Police Commissionerate Ludhiana and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise qua petitioner(s), are hereby quashed.

November 08, 2023
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(DEEPAK GUPTA)
JUDGE

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| (i) | Whether speaking/reasoned | Yes/No |
| (ii) | Whether reportable | Yes/No |