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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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Date of decision: 16.10.2023

Gurpreet Singh

..... Petitioner(s)

V/s

State of Punjab and anr.

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI

Present: Mr. Lakshay Bactor, Advocate,
for Mr. S.K. Arora, Advocate, for the petitioner(s).

Ms. Ramta K Chaudhary, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Saksham Khunger, Advocate,
for Mr. Kulbir Singh Rai, Advocate,
for the complainant/respondent No.2.

JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J. (Oral)

The prayer in this petition is for quashing of FIR No.200 dated 23.09.2022 (Annexue P-1) under Sections 406, 420 and 120-B IPC registered at Police Station Civil Lines Patiala, District Patiala and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise dated 09.06.2023 (Annexure P-2).

Vide order dated 04.07.2023 this Court had directed the parties to appear before Illaqa Magistrate for getting their statements recorded in terms of certain parameters given in the aforesaid order dated 04.07.2023 with regard to the compromise (Annexure P-2).

In terms of the order dated 04.07.2023 passed by this Court

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Patiala and as per the report dated 30.09.2023 submitted to this Court, both the parties (including victim-Rupinderpal Singh) have got recorded their respective statements in Court.

A perusal of the aforesaid report would show that the parties have effected a genuine compromise without there being any pressure, coercion or undue influence. In view of the compromise there is a remote possibility of the complainant coming forward to support the prosecution case. The powers under Section 482 Cr.PC can be exercised in such like situation in order to prevent unnecessary vagaries of criminal trial to be faced by the parties, when there are remote chances of conviction of the accused. The compromise in question is 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*.

In view of the aforesaid report of the Judicial Magistrate Ist Class, Patiala, accompanied by the joint statement of both the parties, the present FIR No.200 dated 23.09.2022 (Annexue P-1) under Sections 406, 420 and 120-B IPC registered at Police Station Civil Lines Patiala, District Patiala, and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom are hereby quashed qua the petitioner herein.

Petition stands disposed of.

(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE

October 16, 2023

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Whether speaking/reasoned

: Yes/No

Whether reportable

: Yes/No