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

CRM-M-34246-2022
Date of decision: 15.11.2023

VINOD KUMAR @ VINOD SHARMA AND ANR.

...Petitioners

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE N. S. SHEKHAWAT

Present:- Mr. Abhishek Rana, Advocate for
Mr. Ritesh Aggarwal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Mohit Chaudhary, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Rahul Verma, Advocate for
Mr. Pankaj Bains, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

N. S. SHEKHAWAT, J. (Oral)

The instant petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of an FIR No. 210 dated 05.07.2016 under Section 4 of Prize Chits and Money Circulation Scheme (Banning) Act, 1978 and Section 420 of IPC registered at Police Station Tripari, District Patiala (Annexure P-1) alongwith all the consequential proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise dated 05.04.2023 (Annexure P-2).

Vide order dated 20.09.2023 while issuing notice of motion, this Court had directed the parties to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate/trial Magistrate for getting their statements recorded with respect to the compromise dated 05.04.2023 (Annexure P-2).

Pursuant to aforesaid order, the parties have appeared before the learned Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Patiala and got their statements recorded.

Report dated 07.11.2023 has been received whereby after recording the statements of the parties, the Court below has shown its satisfaction that the compromise is genuine, voluntary and without any coercion or undue influence.

I have heard counsel for the parties and gone through the case file.

In the light of the satisfaction shown by the Court below and considering the offence for which the accused have been charged are not of serious nature, together with the fact that compromise will go a long way in ironing out the differences for betterment of future life of the parties and also in view of the law laid down in **Gian Singh Vs. State of Punjab and another, 2012 (4) RCR (Criminal) 543** and **Kulwinder Singh and others Vs. State of Punjab 2007(3) RCR (Criminal) 1052**, the present petition for quashing the FIR is allowed qua the petitioners.

Resultantly, FIR No. 210 dated 05.07.2016 under Section 4 of Prize Chits and Money Circulation Scheme (Banning) Act, 1978 and Section 420 of IPC registered at Police Station Tripari, District Patiala (Annexure P-1) alongwith all consequential proceedings arising therefrom are hereby quashed qua the petitioners.

15.11.2023
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(N. S. SHEKHAWAT)
JUDGE

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