

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

(Sr. No.259)

CRM-M No. 36525 of 2022

Date of decision : 17.05.2023

Kashmiri Lal

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL

Present : Mr. Raman Mohinder Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

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

Mr. Dinesh Kumar, Advocate for respondent No.2.

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DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (Oral)

(1) The present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing of FIR No.0050 dated 12.03.2020 registered under Sections 465, 120-B IPC and Section 120 of the Punjab State Election Commission Act, 1994 at Police Station City-I, Abohar, District Fazilka and all proceedings arising therefrom qua the petitioner, on the basis of a written compromise (Annexure P-2).

(2) On 01.09.2022/13.12.2022, 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 P.O. proceedings are pending against any of the accused.

(3) As directed, report dated 23.01.2023 from the Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate, Abohar 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 and that no proclamation proceedings are pending against the petitioner.

(4) Learned State counsel has also raised 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, in which the offences are not heinous and the matter having been compromised, would be an abuse of the process of law and in terms of the law laid down by the Supreme Court in *State of Madhya Pradesh Vs. Laxmi Narayan and others (2019) 5 SCC 688*, this Court deems it just and proper to allow the petition and resultantly quash FIR No.0050 dated 12.03.2020 registered under Sections 465, 120-B IPC and Section 120 of the Punjab State Election Commission Act, 1994 at Police Station City-I, Abohar, District Fazilka and all proceedings arising therefrom qua the petitioner.

17.05.2023

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**(DEEPAK SIBAL)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes / No

Whether reportable : Yes / No