

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

**CRM-M-35896-2023
DATE OF DECISION :- 29.08.2023**

Shivani Bhanot and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present:- Mr. Lakhwinder Singh Mann, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Harpreet Singh, Additional Advocate General, Punjab.

Dr. Hardeep Singh, Advocate for respondent No. 2.

SANJIV BERRY, J.

This is a petition filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, for quashing of FIR No.190 dated 22.08.2022 under Sections 406, 420, 120-B IPC registered at Police Station Kapurthala, District Kapurthala (Annexure P-1) and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise dated 16.3.2023 (Annexure P-2) executed between the parties.

2. With the intervention of respectables and elderly people of the society, the parties have arrived at a settlement vide compromise dated 16.3.2023 (Annexure P-2), which is duly signed by them. The matter was referred to the Court below for recording of statements of the parties and to report with respect to genuineness of the compromise arrived at between the parties. The Chief Judicial Magistrate, Kapurthala, vide report

dated 19.8.2023, has apprised this Court that the compromise arrived at between the parties is genuine and without any pressure.

3. In view of the report of the Chief Judicial Magistrate, Kapurthala, and in view of the decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in **“Gian Singh Vs. State of Punjab and another”, 2012(4) RCR (Criminal) 543** and **“Narinder Singh and Others Vs. State of Punjab and Another”, (2014) 6 SCC 466**, this Court is of the opinion that no useful purpose can be served by keeping with the criminal proceedings pending, since the complainant respondent No. 2 has himself compromised the dispute with the petitioners/ accused persons.

4. In the circumstances, the present petition is allowed and the FIR No.190 dated 22.08.2022 under Sections 406, 420, 120-B IPC registered at Police Station Kapurthala, District Kapurthala (Annexure P-1) and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom, are hereby quashed on the basis of compromise qua the present petitioners.

(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

29.08.2023

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Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether Reportable

Yes/No