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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-7284-2024
Date of decision: 05.11.2024

AJAY KUMAR

...PETITIONER

V/S

STATE OF HARYANA AND ANOTHER

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: Mr. Raj Kumar Chauhan, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Vikas Bhardwaj, AAG, Haryana.

None for respondent No.2.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (ORAL)

1. This petition has been filed for quashing of FIR No.124, dated 04.06.2021 registered under Sections 323, 342, 34, 406, 498-A and 506 of IPC at Police Station PS Industrial Area Bhiwani, District Bhiwani (Annexure P-1) along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom, on the basis of *Panchayati* settlement/compromise dated 16.11.2023 (Annexure P-2) arrived at between the parties.

2. The following order was passed on 13.02.2024 :-

“This petition has been filed for quashing of FIR No.124, dated 04.06.2021 registered under Sections 323, 342, 34, 406, 498A and 506 of IPC at Police Station PS Industrial Area Bhiwani, District Bhiwani along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom, on the basis of Panchayati settlement/compromise dated 16.11.2023 (Annexure P-2) arrived at between the parties.

Counsel for the petitioner has mentioned in memo of parties of the petition that the petitioner has not been declared as proclaimed person.

Notice of motion.



Mr. Arjun Lakhanpal, Addl. A.G., Haryana accepts notice on behalf of respondent No.1-State and Mr. Sahibjeet Singh Sandhu, Advocate accepts notice on behalf of respondent No.2 and has filed his vakalatnama. The same is taken on record. He has admitted the factum of compromise effected between the parties.

The parties and Investigating Officer are directed to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate/trial Court on 11.03.2024 or any other future date as per its convenience or on request of the parties for getting their statements recorded with regard to the compromise. However, it is made clear that no further adjournment shall be granted to the parties for that purpose. The Illaqa/Duty Magistrate shall submit the report on or before the next date of hearing. The report be forwarded to this Court specifying the following:-

- 1. The number of accused arraigned in the FIR and how many have appeared before it and have made statements and whether any accused is absconding/proclaimed persons, in the case;*
- 2. the name of the complainant and injured/aggrieved and whether all of them have appeared and made their statements in support of the compromise;*
- 3. the stage of trial/proceedings pending;*
- 4. if the compromise is genuine, voluntary and out of free will of the parties.*
- 5. Whether any other criminal case pending against the accused.*

Report of Illaqa/Duty Magistrate be awaited for 08.04.2024.”

3. In compliance of the aforesaid order, a report has been received from the concerned jurisdictional Court that the compromise between the parties is genuine and arrived at without any pressure or coercion from anyone.
4. In view of the compromise and the ratio of law laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in ***Narinder Singh and others vs. State of Punjab and another, (2014) 6 SCC 466, Ramgopal and another Vs. State of Madhya Pradesh 2021 SCC OnLine SC 834*** and ***Shakuntala Sawhney (Mrs) Vs.***



Kaushalya (Mrs.) and others (1980) 1 SCC 63 and Full Bench of this Court in *Kulwinder Singh Vs. State of Punjab 2007 (3) RCR (Crl.) 1052*, this petition is allowed and FIR No.124, dated 04.06.2021 registered under Sections 323, 342, 34, 406, 498A and 506 of IPC at Police Station PS Industrial Area Bhiwani, District Bhiwani (Annexure P-1) and all consequential proceedings arising out of the same are quashed, qua the petitioner.

November 05, 2024
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(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

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