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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(1) CRM-M No. 10777 of 2024 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 13.05.2024

Amrik Singh and others
..... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another
..... Respondents

(2) CRM-M No. 10341 of 2024 (O&M)

Sona Singh and others
..... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others
..... Respondents

AND

(3) CRM-M No. 16880 of 2024 (O&M)

Jaj Singh
..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others
..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA

Present: Mr. Kamal Narula, Advocate,
for the petitioners (in CRM-M-10777-2024)
for respondent Nos. 2 & 3 (in CRM-M-10341 & 16880-2024)

Mr. Munish Gulati, Advocate
for the petitioners (in CRM-M-10341 & 16880-2024) and
for respondent No. 2 (in CRM-M-10777-2024)

Mr. Siddharath Sandhu, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab

HARKESH MANUJA, J. (ORAL)

This order shall dispose of the present three petitions as the same have arisen out of the same occurrence.

[2] In petition bearing CRM-M-10777-2024 filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C., the petitioners seek quashing of FIR No. 128 dated 05.07.2020 under Sections 324/148/149 of IPC, registered at Police Station Guruharshai, District Ferozepur, whereas in other two petitions bearing CRM-M-10341-20224 & CRM-M-16880-2024, the petitioners seek quashing of cross-version recorded vide DDR Nos. 44, dated 05.07.2020, under Sections 323/324/148/149 of IPC (Sections 326/325 added later on) in FIR (supra), registered at Police Station Guruharshai, District Ferozepur, alongwith all consequential proceedings arising out of the same on the basis of compromise dated 16.02.2024 (Annexure P-3).

[3] This Court, vide orders dated 01.03.2024, 06.03.2024 & 08.04.2024, directed the parties to appear before the Trial Court/Illaq Magistrate for recording their statements with regard to the validity of compromise.

[4] In pursuance of above orders dated 01.03.2024, 06.03.2024 & 08.04.2024, three reports dated 01.05.2024 have been received from the concerned Court, stating that compromise effected between the parties is genuine, voluntary and without any coercion or undue influence. No accused has been declared as proclaimed offender.

[5] Thus once, the compromise has been arrived at between the parties without any pressure and respondent(s) – complainant(s) / victim(s) having no objection as regards quashing of FIR & DDR as well as all other

subsequent proceedings arising out of the same against the petitioner(s); there does not appear to be any impediment as regards quashing of present FIR *qua* the petitioner(s). Even otherwise, in order to maintain peace and harmony between the parties, particularly under the present circumstances wherein the alleged offences have no societal interest involved, it would be appropriate to render complete quietus to the aforementioned dispute by quashing the FIR & DDR on the basis of compromise entered into between the parties.

[6] The parties having settled their dispute so as to live in peace in future, no useful purpose would be served by proceeding further with the criminal proceedings. In the light of above developments, no cause remains for the Trial Court to invest further time and effort in adjudicating this FIR. The compromise in question is even 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*.

[7] Moreover, learned counsel(s) for the parties, on instructions, submit that their clients volunteer to serve public cause by providing one big air cooler to PGIMER, Chandigarh.

[8] Thus, in view of the aforesaid facts, accompanied by statements of both the parties as well as keeping in mind the law laid down in the aforementioned judgments, the petitions are **allowed**; the FIR and DDR (supra) as well as all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom are hereby quashed *qua* the petitioner(s).

[9] The aforesaid order shall, however, be subject to providing of a big air cooler to Gynecology Department, PGIMER, Chandigarh, within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order, as volunteered by the both the parties, against due receipt issued by the concerned Civil Surgeon, who shall prepare an inventory in this regard for its regular inspection by the Director concerned. A copy of the receipt shall also be sent to the office of Advocate General, Punjab at the earliest for maintaining records in this regard.

[10] Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed off.

May 13, 2024
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(HARKESH MANUJA)
JUDGE

<i>Whether Speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>