

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-36672-2024 (O&M)
Date of Decision:- 26.09.2024

SUKHPAL SINGH AND ANR

....Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANR

...Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present : Mr. R.S. Chugh, Advocate for the petitioners.
Mr. Iqbalpreet Singh, AAG Punjab.
Mr. Bhavesh Aggarwal, Advocate for respondent No.2.

SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)

By way of present petition filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, petitioners seek quashing of FIR (Annexure P-1) and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom including the judgment of conviction and order of sentence dated 05.04.2023, on the basis of compromise/settlement dated 20.06.2024 (Annexure P-3) executed between the parties. Details of the FIR are as follows:

FIR No.	Dated	Sections	Police Station
43	17.05.2013	420, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B IPC	Dugri, District Ludhiana

2. With the intervention of respectables and elderly people of the

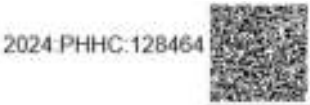


society, the parties have arrived at a settlement vide compromise deed dated 20.06.2024 (Annexure P-3), which is duly signed by them. The matter was referred to the Court below for recording of statements of the parties and to report with respect to genuineness of the compromise arrived at between the parties. The learned Judicial Magistrate First Class, Ludhiana vide report dated 21.09.2024 has apprised this Court that the compromise arrived at between the parties is genuine and without any pressure. The petitioners have also deposited the cost of Rs.10,000/- in compliance to the order dated 06.09.2024.

3. Respondent No.2 is represented by his counsel and does not oppose the compromise.

4. In view of the aforesaid report of the learned Judicial Magistrate First Class, Ludhiana and in view of the decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in "**Ramgopal And Another Vs State of Madhya Pradesh, 2021 SCC Online SC 834**", "**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 the criminal proceedings pending, since the complainant has himself compromised the dispute with the petitioners/accused persons.

5. In the circumstances, the present petition is allowed. FIR No.43 dated 17.05.2013 under Sections 420, 467, 468, 471 and 120-B of IPC registered at Police Station Dugri, District Ludhiana (Annexure P-1) and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom including the judgment of



conviction and order of sentence dated 05.04.2023, are hereby quashed on the basis of compromise qua the present petitioners.

(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

26.09.2024
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| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |