

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CRM-M-41747-2023
Date of decision: 08.02.2024

Harbhajan Singh and othersPetitioners.

Versus

State of Punjab and othersRespondents.

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV BERRY

Present:- Mr. Neeraj Jain, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Mr. Harpreet Singh, Addl. AG, Punjab.

Mr. Raman Singla Advocate,
for respondents No. 2 to 4.

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SANJIV BERRY, J. (ORAL)

[1]. Instant petition has been preferred under Section 482 Cr. PC seeking quashing of the General diary/rapat (Annexure P-1), and all other subsequent proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise deed dated *nil* (Annexure P-3). Details of the General diary/rapat are as under: -

General Diary/ rapat No.	Dated	Sections	Police Station
26	03.01.2022	323, 324, 341, 148 and 149 IPC (326 and 427 IPC added later)	P.S. Sultanpur Lodhi, District Kapurthala

[2]. With the intervention of respectables and elderly people of the society, the parties have arrived at a settlement vide compromise deed (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.

[3]. Learned Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate, Sultanpur Lodhi, vide report dated 03.11.2023 has apprised this Court that the compromise arrived at between the parties is genuine and without any pressure.

[4]. Respondents Nos. 2 to 4 are represented by their counsel and do not oppose the compromise.

[5]. In view of the aforesaid report of learned Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate, Sultanpur Lodhi, 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 will be served by keeping with the criminal proceedings pending, since respondents No. 2 to 4 have themselves compromised the dispute with the petitioners.

[6]. In the circumstances, the present petition is allowed. General Diary/rapat No. 26 dated 03.01.2022 under Sections 323, 324, 341, 148 and 149 IPC and (Sections 326, 427 IPC added lateron) registered at Police Station Sultanpur Lodhi, (Annexure P-1) and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom, are hereby quashed on the basis of compromise deed (Annexure P-3) qua the present petitioners.

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(SANJIV BERRY)
JUDGE

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