

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

1. CRM-M No.44262 of 2023

Uday Raj & others
... Petitioners
Versus
State of Punjab & another
... Respondents

2. CRM-M No.56244 of 2023

Abhishek Bhandari
... Petitioner
Versus
State of Punjab & another
... Respondents

Date of decision: 15th April, 2024

CORAM: HON’BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Umesh Aggarwal, Advocate for the petitioners.
Mr. Iqbalpreet Singh, Asst. Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondent/State.
Ms. Nandini Sharma, Advocate for
Mr. Prateek Sodhi, Advocate for respondent No.2.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. Both the petitions detailed hereinabove have been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for quashing FIR No.125 dated 27.09.2019 under Sections 420/120-B of the IPC and Section 13 of the Punjab Travel Professionals Act, 2014 registered at Police Station Majitha Road, Amritsar along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise dated 24.01.2022 effected between the parties.

2. Vide a common order dated 13.02.2024 of this Court, the parties were directed to appear before the learned trial Court/Illaq Magistrate to get their statements recorded regarding the compromise arrived at, between them.

3. Report has since been received from learned Judicial Magistrate, 1st Class, Amritsar, in pursuance of the direction of this Court, wherein, the factum of the compromise arrived at between the parties stands verified and confirmed. As per the report, compromise has indeed been effected between the parties and the same is without any pressure or coercion and out of their free will and the complainant has also made statement to the effect that he would have no objection if the FIR qua the accused-petitioners is quashed.

4. The trial Court has annexed a copy of the statements of the parties, along with its report.

5. Learned State counsel too submits that there are no other accused other than the petitioners and respondent No.2 is the only aggrieved person in the FIR in question.

6. In view of the report of the learned Judicial Magistrate, 1st Class, Amritsar and the principles laid down by the Apex Court in **‘Gian Singh Vs. State of Punjab and others’ (2012) 10 SCC 303**, and also by the Full Bench of this Court in **‘Kulwinder Singh and others v. State of Punjab and another’ 2007 (3) RCR (Criminal) 1052**, both the instant petitions are allowed. The aforesaid FIR and all

consequential proceedings arising out of it qua the petitioners, are quashed.

7. Needless to say, the parties shall remain bound by the terms of compromise and their statements recorded before the Court below.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

April 15, 2024

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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No