



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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CRM-M-24529-2025

Date of decision: July 16th, 2025

Devi Dutt Bagga

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Naveen Batra, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sahil Chaudhary, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab.

Mr. Rahul Garg, Advocate
for respondent No.2.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in the instant petition filed under Section 528 of the BNSS, 2023 is for quashing of FIR No.43 dated 01.05.2024 under Sections 406, 420 of the IPC, 1860, registered at Police Station Haryana, District Hoshiarpur along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise dated 11.10.2024 signed on 04.12.2024 (Annexure P-2).

2. Vide order dated 07.05.2025 of this Court, the parties were directed to appear before the learned trial Court/Illaq Magistrate on 29.05.2025 to get their statements recorded regarding the compromise arrived at, between them.

3. Report has since been received from learned Judicial Magistrate Ist Class, Hoshiarpur, in pursuance of the directions

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 she would have no objection if the FIR *qua* the accused-petitioner is quashed.

4. The trial Court has annexed the statements of the parties in original, 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 Ist Class, Hoshiarpur, and the principles laid down by Hon'ble 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 Vs. State of Punjab and another, 2007(3) RCR (Criminal) 1052*, the instant petition is allowed. The aforesaid FIR and all consequential proceedings arising out of it, are quashed.

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

July 16th, 2025
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(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No