



**In the High Court for the States of Punjab and Haryana
at Chandigarh**

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CRM-M-40181-2025 (O&M)
Date of Decision:- 07.11.2025

Anurag Bharadwaj and another ... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another ... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUBHAS MEHLA

Present:- Mr. Jitender Kaushik, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Mr. Nitesh Sharma, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Vikas Kumar, Advocate for
Mr. B.D. Sharma, Advocate,
for respondent No.2.

SUBHAS MEHLA, J. (Oral)

1. Prayer in this petition is for quashing of FIR No.0005 dated 25.01.2024 registered under Sections 420, 406, 408, 120-B of IPC registered at Police Station City Nakodar, Jalandhar (Rural) and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise dated 19.07.2025 (Annexure P-2) arrived at between the parties.
2. The above stated FIR was registered on the statement of the complainant/respondent No.2 i.e. authorised representative of M/s Amrit Malwa Capital Ltd.
3. On notice of motion, respondent No.2 appeared through his counsel and pleaded that he has no objection if the FIR in this case is quashed



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on the basis of the aforesaid compromise, which has been effected between the parties.

4. During the course of preliminary hearing, the trial Court/Illaq Magistrate was directed to record the statements of all the concerned parties with regard to genuineness and validity or otherwise of the aforesaid compromise.

5. In compliance thereof, report from the Court of learned Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate, Nakodar, along with statements of the parties has been received, in which, it is mentioned that the compromise is genuine and there was no undue influence or coercion from any side.

6. I have heard learned counsel for the parties.

7. Learned counsel for the petitioners and for respondent No.2 are *ad idem* that in view of the settlement effected between the parties, the present petition deserves to be accepted. It has also come on record that the aforesaid compromise is genuine and the parties effected the same without any undue influence or coercion.

8. In view of above, nothing remains to be adjudicated further in the present case. Thus, continuation of the criminal proceedings between the parties would be a futile exercise and sheer wastage of time of the Court and thus, amounts to abuse of process of law.

9. For the reasons afore-stated and having regard to the law laid down by Hon'ble Apex Court in ***Gian Singh v. State of Punjab and another, 2012 (4) RCR (Criminal) 543*** and Five Judges Bench of this Court in

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Kulwinder Singh and others v. State of Punjab and another, 2007(3) RCR (Criminal) 1052, this petition is allowed and FIR No.0005 dated 25.01.2024 registered under Sections 420, 406, 408, 120-B of IPC registered at Police Station City Nakodar, Jalandhar (Rural) and all the subsequent proceedings are hereby quashed qua the petitioners, subject to payment of Rs.20,000/- as cost, to be deposited with Punjab State Legal Services Authority-Disaster Relief Fund, Account No.44426937384, IFSC Code- SBIN0014656, State Bank of India, Sector-68, SAS Nagar (Punjab).

10. Receipt regarding deposit of aforesaid cost be produced before Court concerned. It is made clear that if cost is not deposited within one month i.e. upto 07.12.2025, present petition shall be deemed to be dismissed.

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(SUBHAS MEHLA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking /reasoned	Yes / No
Whether Reportable	Yes / No