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

CRM-M-63138-2025 (O&M)

Date of decision: 18.12.2025

MOHIT THAKUR AND OTHERS**...PETITIONERS****VERSUS****STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER****...RESPONDENTS****CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL**

Present: None.

SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL J.

1. Petitioners seek quashing of FIR No. 49 dated 23.07.2015 under Section 498-A Indian Penal Code, Police Station Women Cell, District Jalandhar City and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom, on the basis of compromise dated 02.09.2025. Section 313 IPC and Section 120-B IPC were added in the FIR, during investigation.
2. On 12.11.2025 this Court directed the parties to appear before learned trial Court/Illaq Magistrate for recording of their statements on the basis of compromise dated 02.09.2025.
3. In compliance of the aforesaid order, parties appeared before learned Additional Sessions Judge, Jalandhar on 29.11.2025. Learned Additional Sessions Judge, Jalandhar has submitted his report recording satisfaction that all the parties have entered into a valid compromise without any influence or coercion. Point-wise report as under has been submitted:

“1. *In the FIR only Mohit Thakur was arrayed as accused.*

2. *Three accused namely Mohit Thakur, Subhash Thakur*

and Anita Thakur have appeared in person and accused Manisha Narula has appeared through VC facility. Their statements have been recorded regarding compromise.

3. *Challan was presented only against accused Mohit Thakur.*

4. *Subhash Thakur, Anita Thakur and Manisha Thakur were arrayed as additional accused invoking Section 319 of Cr.P.C.*

5. *Accused Mohit Thakur absented from trial since 30.09.2024 whereas remaining accused did not appear before the court after their summoning under Section 319 Cr.P.C. (Arrest of accused Mohit Thakur, Subhash Thakur and Anita Thakur was stayed vide order dated 28.11.2025 till 05:00 pm of 29.11.2025 enabling them to get recorded their statements before the Court).*

6. *FIR was registered under Section 498-A of IPC and Sections 313 and 120-B of IPC were added later on.*

7. *Challan is already before this court.*

8. *Gazal Kohli is complainant/aggrieved person of this case.*

9. *Case is fixed for appearance of accused.*

10. *From the contents of statements of parties this court is satisfied that the compromise is genuine and has been effected between them with their free will and without any fraud or misrepresentation.*

11. *As per statements of accused no other criminal case or*

proceedings is pending against them.”

4. In ***Surinder Singh Vs. State of Punjab, 2008(6) R.C.R. (Criminal) 864 and Harsimer Kapoor and Others Vs. State of Punjab and Another, 2022(3) R.C.R. (Criminal) 934***, Coordinate Benches of this Court have allowed quashing of FIR under Sections 498-A, 406, 313 IPC. Since the matter has been amicably settled between the parties, continuation of the criminal proceedings would be an exercise in futility. The dispute which has its genesis in a matrimonial discord, warrants exercise of powers under Section 482 Cr.P.C.

5. Following principles of law laid down by the Full Bench Judgment of this Court in “***Kulwinder Singh and others Vs. State of Punjab and another***” 2007(3) RCR (Criminal) 1052 and Hon’ble Supreme Court in “***Gian Singh Versus State of Punjab and others***” (2012) 10 SCC 303, the petition is allowed.

6. FIR No. 49 dated 23.07.2015 under Section 498-A Indian Penal Code, Police Station Women Cell, District Jalandhar City, wherein Section 313 IPC and Section 120-B IPC were added later on and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom, are quashed qua the petitioners.

7. Pending miscellaneous applications, if any, stand disposed of.

(SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL)
JUDGE

18.12.2025

Sumit Singla

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