



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

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CRM-M-19850-2026

Date of Decision: 18.05.2026

JASMEET SINGH & OTHERS

....Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

....Respondent(s)

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ALOK JAIN

Present : Mr. Kannan Malik, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Iqbalpreet Singh, AAG, Punjab.

Ms. Nupur Sood, Advocate for respondent no.2.
(through video conferencing mode)**ALOK JAIN, J. (Oral)**

1. The present petition is for quashing of the FIR No.0083 dated 23.12.2024, under Sections 316(2), 85, 61(2) of BNS (erstwhile Sections 406, 498-A and 120-B of IPC) registered at Police Station NRI Police Commissionerate, Ludhiana, and all other subsequent proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise dated 01.04.2026 (Annexure P-2).

2. Keeping in view the fact that the parties entered into a compromise, this Court vide order dated 16.04.2026 directed the parties to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate/trial Court for getting their statements recorded in that regard. Pursuant thereto, a report dated 06.05.2026 has been received from the Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Ludhiana, stating that the compromise arrived at between the parties is



voluntary and the same is without any pressure, coercion or undue influence.

3. Learned State counsel and learned counsel appearing on behalf of respondent No.2 admit the factum of compromise and submit that they have no objection to quashing of the FIR on that basis.

4. Perusal of the aforesaid report establishes that the parties have amicably settled their dispute, and continuance of criminal prosecution in such a situation will be an exercise in futility, as the chances of ultimate conviction are bleak. The power under Section 482 Cr.P.C. can be exercised in such matters. It has been held by Supreme Court of India in cases Gian Singh v. State of Punjab and another 2012(10) SCC 303 and Narinder Singh and others v. State of Punjab and another 2014(6) SCC 406 that criminal cases having overwhelmingly civil character, particularly those arising out of commercial transactions or matrimonial relationships or family disputes, should be quashed when the parties have resolved their disputes among themselves in a *bona fide* manner.

5. Consequently, this petition is allowed. FIR No.0083 dated 23.12.2024, under Sections 316(2), 85, 61(2) of BNS (erstwhile Sections 406, 498-A and 120-B of IPC) registered at Police Station NRI Police Commissionerate, Ludhiana, and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom, are hereby quashed qua the petitioner(s) and since the petitioners are residing in USA and people are with means and



having the legacy of litigation in India without their personal appearance, they are imposed with exemplary cost of Rs.1,00,000/- jointly to be deposited by the petitioners and Rs.50,000/- to be deposited by respondents No.2 & 3, within one month from today in the following account:-

***Indian Red Cross Society,
U.T. Branch Chandigarh
SBI New Haryana Sectt, Sector - 17, Chandigarh
Account No.44938097476
IFSC No.SBIN0010603
UPI I.d - 06280730090@sbi***

18.05.2026*Deepak Patwal*

**(ALOK JAIN)
JUDGE**

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| 1. Whether speaking/reasoned | Yes/No |
| 2. Whether reportable | Yes/No |