



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

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CRM-M-20908-2026 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 12.05.2026

ANKUSH GOYAL AND ANOTHER

...Petitioners

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL

Present: Mr. Preetwinder Singh Dhaliwal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Akash Yadav, AAG Punjab.

Mr. Supreet Singh, Advocate
for respondent No. 2.

SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL, J. (ORAL)

1. Petitioners seek quashing of FIR No. 0398 dated 30.08.2025 under Sections 85, 316(2), 3(5) Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, Police Station City Barnala, District Barnala and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom, on the basis of compromise dated 23.02.2026.
2. On 20.04.2026 this Court directed the parties to appear before the trial Court/Illaq Magistrate for recording of their statements with regard to compromise.
3. In compliance of the order dated 20.04.2026, parties appeared before learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Barnala on 24.04.2026. Statement of the Investigating Officer, ASI Pardeep Kumar, No. 432 posted at Police Station City Barnala was also recorded on 28.04.2026. Learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Barnala has submitted her report recording satisfaction that all the



parties have entered into a valid compromise without any influence or coercion.

Relevant portion of the report is reproduced as under:

- “1. As per the report of IO, there are only two accused persons arrayed in this FIR namely Ankush Goyal and Komal Goyal.*
- 2. Both the accused have come present to record their statements.*
- 3. No additional accused has been added during the investigation.*
- 4. As per the report of IO, accused have not been declared Proclaimed Persons.*
- 5. No offence is added or deleted during the investigation.*
- 6. No other case is pending against the accused persons.*
- 7. There is only one complainant namely Poonam Rani.*
- 8. Complainant has come present to record her statement.*
- 9. IO has also come present to record his statement.*
- 10. The present case is pending for investigation.*
- 11. The compromise between the parties seems genuine, voluntary and without any coercion or undue influence.*
- 12. As per the report of IO, no FIR has been registered against the accused persons.”*

4. Learned State counsel and learned counsel for respondent No. 2 have not raised any dispute regarding the factum of compromise. Since the matter has been amicably resolved, 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 528 BNSS.

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. 0398 dated 30.08.2025 under Sections 85, 316(2), 3(5) Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, Police Station City Barnala, District Barnala with all the subsequent proceedings arising therefrom, is quashed qua the petitioners.

7. Pending CRM(s), if any, are also disposed of accordingly.

(SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL)
JUDGE

May 12, 2026
Ajay Goswami

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