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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

(284)

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DATE OF DECISION: 16.02.2026

Indra Devi and another

.....Petitioners

VERSUS

State of Punjab and another

.....Respondents

CORAM HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUBHAS MEHLA

Present Mr.S.K.Raghuvanshi, Advocate,
with Mr. Vijay Lath, Advocate, for the petitioners.
Mr. Sandeep Kumar, DAG, Punjab.
Mr. Vikrant Kondal, Advocate,
for Mr. Surinder Sharma, Advocate,
for respondent no.2.

SUBHAS MEHLA, J (ORAL)

1. Prayer in this petition is for quashing of FIR No.0128 dated 15.04.2023, under Sections 420 and 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station City Kharar, District SAS Nagar (Mohali), Punjab and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise dated 22.08.2025 (Annexure P-2) arrived at between the parties.
2. The above stated FIR was registered on the statement of the complainant/respondent No.2-Randeep Singh.
3. On notice of motion, respondent No.2 appeared in the Court through his counsel and pleaded that he has no objection if the FIR in this case is quashed 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 the all the concerned parties with regard to genuineness and validity or otherwise of the aforesaid



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compromise.

5. In compliance thereof, report from the Court of learned Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate, Kharar, 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. This Court has 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 ***Kulwinder Singh and others v. State of Punjab and another, 2007(3) RCR (Criminal) 1052***, this petition is allowed and 0128 dated 15.04.2023, under Sections 420 and 120-B IPC, registered at Police Station City Kharar, District SAS Nagar (Mohali), Punjab and all the subsequent proceedings are hereby quashed qua the petitioners, subject to payment of Rs25,000/- as cost, to be deposited with Indian Red Cross Society having account



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No.3578152035, Central Bank of India, Sector 17-B, Chandigarh, IFSC
CBIN0280412.

10. Receipt regarding deposit of aforesaid cost be produced before
the Court concerned. It is made clear that if cost is not deposited within a
period of one month i.e. upto 16.03.2026 present petition shall be deemed to
be dismissed.

16.02.2026
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(SUBHAS MEHLA)
JUDGE

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