

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

**Date of Decision: July 17, 2025**

**(i) CRA-S-1813-SB-2008**

**Roop Singh and others ... Appellants**

**Versus**

State of Punjab ...Respondent

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**(ii) CRM-M-62824-2024 (O&M)**

**Roop Singh and others ... Appellants**

**Versus**

State of Punjab and another ...Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA**

**Present:-** Mr. Inder Pal Singh, Advocate for the appellants.

Ms. Pratibha Bali, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Pardeep Panwar, Advocate for the complainant/injured.

**DEEPAK GUPTA, J.(Oral)**

In a case arising out of FIR No.93 dated 27.10.2004, under Sections 325, 308, 323, 148 and 149 IPC, registered at Police Station Chamkaur Sahib, District Rupnagar, the five accused - Roop Singh, Amarjit Singh, Darshan Singh, Gurmit Singh and Chhindi alias Bhinder were convicted and sentenced by the Court of learned Addl. Sessions Judge, Rupnagar, under Sections 148, 308/149, 323 and 506 IPC vide judgment and order dated 12.09.2008. All of them were sentenced with maximum sentence of rigorous imprisonment of 04 years.

2. Against the aforesaid conviction and sentence, CRA-S-1813-SB-2008 was filed. Later on, it was informed that parties had entered into a compromise and accordingly CRM-M-62824-2024 was filed for quashing of FIR in question on the basis of compromise.

3. It was further informed that one of the appellants, namely, Gurmit Singh has since expired. Copy of the Death Certificate of said Gurmit Singh is Annexure P-5.

4. Learned State counsel does not dispute the factum regarding the death of Gurmit Singh.

5. As such, the appeal, bearing No.CRA-S-1813-SB-2008 qua appellant - Gurmit Singh stands abated.

6. In compliance of the order dated 13.12.2024 passed by this Court in CRM-M-62824-2024, both the parties had appeared before learned Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Rupnagar and got their statements recorded regarding compromise. On the basis of the statements so recorded, learned Magistrate has submitted report dated 07.01.2025 to the effect that the compromise has been effected between the parties voluntarily and without any coercion or undue influence.

7. Statement of Respondent No.2-complainant, namely, Manpreet Singh with regard to compromise was recorded before learned Magistrate on 20.12.2024

8. Learned State counsel as well as learned counsel for respondent No.2-complainant/injured have not disputed the factum of compromise between the parties.

9. In view of the above, no useful purpose would be served to continue with the proceedings before this Court in the instant FIR following the principles laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in "**Ramgopal and another v. State of Madhya Pradesh**" 2021 SCC Online SC 834, wherein it has been held that criminal proceedings involving non-heinous offences or where offences are pre-dominantly of a private nature, can be annulled irrespective of the fact that trial has been concluded or appeal stands dismissed against conviction, under extraordinary powers

enjoined upon the High Court under Section 482 Cr.P.C. As such, petition bearing No.CRM-M-62824-2024 is allowed and all subsequent proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise, qua petitioner(s), are hereby quashed.

10. Since the FIR in question, in which appellants have been convicted, has been quashed, therefore, their conviction and sentence are not sustainable. Thus, the judgment of conviction and order of sentence are hereby set aside. As such, appeal bearing No.CRA-S-1813-SB-2008 qua remaining appellants, namely, Roop Singh, Amarjit Singh, Darshan Singh and Chhindi alias Bhinder stands disposed of.

Photocopy of this order be placed on the connected case file.

**July 17, 2025**  
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**(DEEPAK GUPTA)**  
**JUDGE**

Whether reasoned/speaking:  
Whether reportable:

Yes/No  
Yes/No