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

(231)

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Date of Decision:- 19.09.2025

Hardev Singh and Ors.

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and Anr.

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ALOK JAIN

Present: Mr.T.P. S. Makkar, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Sahil Choudhary, AAG, Punjab.

Ms. Prabhjot Kaur, Advocate for
Mr. Satnam Singh, Advocate for respondent No.2.

ALOK JAIN, J. (Oral)

1. The instant petition has been filed under Section 528 BNSS seeking quashing of **FIR No.0065** dated **02.05.2023**, under Sections **498-A, 406 of IPC**, registered at Police Station **Guruharsahai, District Ferozpur** and subsequent proceeding arising therefrom on the basis of Settlement/agreement dated **13.05.2025 (Annexure P-2)**.
2. Keeping in view the fact that the parties entered into a settlement, this Court vide order dated **01.08.2025** directed the parties to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate/trial Court for getting their statements



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recorded in that regard. Pursuant thereto, a report dated **30.08.2025** has been received from **Sub Divisional Judicial Magistrate Guruharsahai** 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 in 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 proceedings in such a situation will be an exercise in futility, as the chances of conviction are bleak. The power under Section 528 BNSS 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 the disputes among themselves in a *bona fide* manner.

5. Consequently, the present petition is allowed. **FIR No.0065** dated **02.05.2023**, under Sections **498-A, 406 of IPC**, registered at Police Station **Guruharsahai, District Ferozepur** and subsequent proceeding arising therefrom, are hereby quashed *qua* the petitioners subject to costs of **Rs.35,000/- (collectively)** to be paid by the petitioners and **Rs.15000/-** to



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be paid by respondent No.2 within a period of **two weeks** from today in the following account:

**Punjab State Legal Services
Authority-Disaster Relief Fund,
A/c No.44426937384,
IFSC Code SBIN0014656.**

September 19, 2025

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Whether speaking/reasoned:- Yes/No
Whether Reportable:- Yes/No

**(ALOK JAIN)
JUDGE**