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

(225)

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Date of Decision:-19.09.2025.

Deepak Kumar and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ALOK JAIN

Present: Mr. Deshpreet Singh, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Sahil Chowdhary, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Rakesh Kumar, Advocate for respondent No.2.

ALOK JAIN, J. (Oral)

1. The present petition is for quashing of the **FIR No.0165** dated **09.08.2021** (Annexure P-1), under Sections **406, 498-A of IPC and Section 4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961**, registered at Police Station **City 1, Abohar**, and all other subsequent proceedings arising therefrom on the basis of compromise dated 07.03.2025 (Annexure P-2).

2. Keeping in view the fact that the parties entered into a compromise, this Court vide order dated **30.07.2025** directed the parties to appear before the Illaqa Magistrate/trial Court for getting their statements recorded in that regard. Pursuant thereto, a report dated **02.09.2025** has been received from the **Judicial Magistrate Ist Class, Abohar**, 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



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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. the **FIR No.0165** dated **09.08.2021** (Annexure P-1), under Sections **406, 498-A of IPC and Section 4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961**, registered at Police Station **City 1, Abohar**, and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom, are hereby quashed qua the petitioner(s), subject to payment of cost of Rs.20,000/- to be deposited by the petitioners collectively and Rs.10,000/- to be deposited by respondent No.2, within one month from today in the following account:-

***Punjab State Legal Services Authority,
Disaster Relief Fund, A/c No.44426937384,
IFSC Code SBIN 0014656,
Branch Name: State Bank of India,
Sector 68, SAS Nagar, Mohali.***

**(ALOK JAIN)
JUDGE**

September 19, 2025.

S. Sethi

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