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

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CRM-M-43600-2025 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 29.09.2025

SUNIL KUMAR

... Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL

Present: Mr. Ankur Bansal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Hardeep Singh Wadhwa, DAG Punjab.

Mr. Bhriugu Dutt Sharma, Advocate
for respondent No. 2.

SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner seeks quashing of FIR No. 24 dated 24.02.2021 under Section 498-A Indian Penal Code, Police Station Women Cell, District Jalandhar and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom, on the basis of compromise dated 20.05.2025 said to be arrived at between the parties.

On 11.08.2025, this Court directed the parties to appear before the trial Court/Illaq Magistrate for recording of their statements with regard to compromise on 01.09.2025.

In compliance of the order dated 11.08.2025, parties appeared before learned Judicial Magistrate Ist Class, Jalandhar on 09.09.2025. Statement of the Investigating Officer, ASI Jaswant Singh, No. 3533 posted at PS Women



Cell, Jalandhar was also recorded on 09.09.2025. Learned Judicial Magistrate Ist Class, Jalandhar has submitted his report recording satisfaction that all the parties have entered into a valid compromise without any influence or coercion.

Point-wise report as under has been submitted:

- (i) As per case file, the present FIR No. 24 dated 24.02.2021 under Section 406 and 498 A IPC, PS Women, District Jalandhar was registered against accused, namely, Sunil Kumar. Only said person has been arraigned as accused in the present FIR.
- (ii) The above named accused/petitioner Sunil Kumar appeared before the court and made statement.
- (iii) As per the statement of IO, accused has not been declared proclaimed person in the present case or in any other criminal case.
- (iv) The name of the complainant/injured/aggrieved is Neetu Bala.
- (v) The complainant/respondent No.2 Neetu Bala has appeared and made a statement in support of compromise.
- (vi) The present case was at the stage of prosecution evidence.
- (vii) As per statements, compromise is genuine and executed out of free will of both the parties.
- (viii) No other criminal case is pending against the accused/petitioner.

Mr. Bhriugu Dutt Sharma, Advocate has filed his power of attorney.

Learned State counsel and 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

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exercise in futility. The dispute which has its genesis in a matrimonial discord, warrants exercise of powers under Section 482 Cr.P.C.

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.

FIR No. 24 dated 24.02.2021 under Section 498-A Indian Penal Code, Police Station Women Cell, District Jalandhar, along with all the subsequent proceedings arising therefrom, are quashed qua the petitioner.

(SHALINI SINGH NAGPAL)
JUDGE

SEPTEMBER 29, 2025.

Ajay Goswami

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No