Neutral Citation
2026:JHHC:22077

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
Cr. Rev. No. 613 of 2026

Balkishun Mahto, S/o Jailu Mahto, R/o Vill- BIT More, Humbai, P.O.- Neori Vikash, P.S.- Sadar, BIT O.P., Ranchi.

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Versus

1. The State of Jharkhand.
2. Smita Priya, D/o Pashupati Nath Mahto, R/o Basudih, P.O.- Bantahazam, P.S.- Silli, Ranchi, A/P R/o Vill- Lowadih, P.O. & P.S.- Namkum, Ranchi.

--- --- Opposite Parties

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RONGON MUKHOPADHYAY

For the Petitioner : Mr. Pran Pranay, Adv.
For the State : A.P.P.
For the O.P. No. 2 : Mr. Bhaswat Prakash, Adv.

02/27.07.2026 Heard Mr. Pran Pranay, learned counsel for the petitioner and learned Bhaswat Prakash, learned counsel appearing for the opposite party no. 2.

This application is directed against the order dated 18.07.2024 passed by the learned Judicial Commissioner, Ranchi in Criminal Appeal No. 71/2024, whereby and whereunder, the judgment and order of conviction and sentence dated 21.02.2024 passed by the learned Judicial Magistrate, First Class, Ranchi in Complaint Case No. 248/2020 convicting the petitioner for the offence under Section 138 NI Act and sentenced him to simple imprisonment for one year along with a fine of Rs. 20,00,000/- has been affirmed.

At the outset, it has been submitted by learned counsel for the petitioner that the matter has been compromised between the parties and the entire amount of Rs. 20 lakhs have been extended to the opposite party no. 2. In support of such contention, he has referred to the averments made in I.A. No. 6478 of 2026 which has been filed by way of a joint compromise.

Mr. Bhaswat Prakash, learned counsel for the opposite party no. 2 has accepted the factum of compromise and has also accepted the fact that the entire amount has been received by the opposite party no. 2.

In view of the fact that the offence is compoundable in nature and the terms and conditions arrived at between the parties has been fully adhered to by the petitioner which has not been disputed by the opposite party no. 2, this application stands allowed and the judgment and order of conviction and sentence dated 21.02.2024 passed by the learned Judicial Magistrate, First Class, Ranchi in Complaint Case No. 248/2020 and the order dated 18.07.2024 passed by the learned Judicial Commissioner, Ranchi in Criminal Appeal No. 71/2024 are hereby set aside based on the compromise.

This application is allowed.

(*Rongon Mukhopadhyay, J.*)

Dated- 27th July, 2026.
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