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CRL.RP No. 1382 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 11TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VENKATESH NAIK T

CRIMINAL REVISION PETITION NO. 1382 OF 2025

BETWEEN:

VENKATARAMANA BHAT
AGED ABOUT 58 YEARS,
S/O NGAPPAYYA BHAT,
R/O THARIKODLU HOUSE,
SIDDAPURA VILLAGE - 576 229,
KUNDAPURA TALUK,
UDUPI DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. SANDESH SHETTY T., ADVOCATE)

AND:

PURANDARA POOJARI
AGED ABOUT 50 YEARS,
S/O RAMA POOJARY,
KALUVINABAGILU MANE,
HATTIKUDRU,
BASRUR VILLAGE - 576 211,
KUNDAPUR TALUK.

...RESPONDENT

(BY SRI. MOHANKUMARA D., ADVOCATE)

THIS CRL.RP IS FILED U/S 397 R/W 401(FILED U/S.438
R/W SEC.442 BNSS) OF CR.P.C PRAYING TO SET ASIDE THE
JUDGMENT DATED 15.11.2024 PASSED IN C.C.NO.1515/2023
BY HONBLE II ADDL. CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC AT KUNDAPURA

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AND JUDGMENT DATED 23.08.2025 PASSED IN CRL.A.NO.545/2024 BY THE HONBLE ADDL. DISTRICT AND SESSIONS JUDGE, UDUPI (SITTING AT KUNDAPURA) BY ACQUITTING THE PETITIONER/ACCUSED.

THIS PETITION, COMING ON FOR ADMISSION, THIS DAY, ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VENKATESH NAIK T

ORAL ORDER

Both the learned counsel and their respective parties are present and have filed a joint memo.

2. The terms of settlement entered into between the parties are recorded in the joint memo, which reads as follows:-

- "1. *The Petitioner / Accused and Respondent / Complainant most humbly submit that, the Respondent / Complainant has filed a Criminal Case before the Hon'ble II Addl. Civil Judge & JMFC., Kundapur, in C.C. No. 1515/2023 under Section 138 of Negotiable Instruments Act. The learned Magistrate after adjudication on 15/11/2024 was pleased to pass the Judgment, whereby convicted the Petitioner / Accused directed to pay Rs. 5 Lakhs to the Complainant as compensation and also directed to pay Rs.5,000/- to the State and in fault, directed the Petitioner / Accused to undergo simple imprisonment for a period of six months. The Petitioner / Accused challenged the above referred impugned order before the Hon'ble Addl. District*



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and Sessions Judge, Udupi, (Sitting at Kundapura) in Crl. A. No.548/2024. learned Sessions Judge on 23/8/2025 was pleased to pass the judgment whereby dismissed the Appeal of Petitioner / Accused and confirmed the judgment of learned Magistrate referred above.

2. *It is further submitted that, the Petitioner /Accused and the Complainant / Respondent have amicably settled the above matter. As per the terms of the settlement, the Petitioner /Accused has agreed to pay Rs. 4,50,000/- (lump sum) on or before 11th September 2026. Further, the Petitioner / Accused has already deposited Rs. 1,01,000/- on 16/1/2025 in Q. No. 1368/2024-25 and Rs.1,01,000/- on 14/10/2025 in Q. No. 1250/2025-26 before the II Addl. Civil Judge & JMFC, Kundapura, in C.C. No.1515/2023. This Hon'ble Court may be pleased to direct the Registry of the Trial Court to release the amount in favors of the Respondent / Complainant. The remaining amount of Rs.2,48,000/- would be deposited to the Trial Court by the Petitioner / Accused on or before 11th September 2026. The said amount which would be deposited is also directed to be released in favour of the Respondent /Complainant. The Petitioner / Accused undertakes to deposit Rs.5,000/- directed to be deposited to the State within 10 days before the Trial Court. Under the circumstances, this Hon'ble Court be pleased to acquit the Petitioner / Accused, in the interest of justice and equity."*

3. Parties are also present before the Court today and are duly identified by the learned counsel appearing on their behalf.

4. The terms of settlement are recorded.



5. In view of the joint memo and accepting the submissions, the judgment of conviction passed by the Trial Court confirmed by the First Appellate Court is hereby set aside.

6. The amount deposited before the Trial Court shall be released and paid to the respondent/complainant on proper identification, as the petitioner/accused has no objection to the same.

7. In terms of the joint memo, the appeal stands ***disposed of.***

8. Registry is directed to transmit the Trial Court Records along with a copy of this order, to the concerned trial Court forthwith.

Sd/-
(VENKATESH NAIK T)
JUDGE

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