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			<u>WPCRL/1411/2026</u> Kunwar Pranav Singh Champion --Petitioner Versus State Of Uttarakhand --Respondent <u>Hon'ble Alok Mahra, J.</u> Mr. Gaurav Singh, learned counsel for the petitioner. Mr. Pradeep Lohani, learned A.G.A. for the State of Uttarakhand. Mr. Subhash Joshi, learned counsel for respondent nos. 3 and 4. 2. By means of the present Criminal Writ Petition, the petitioner seeks quashing of the F.I.R. dated 24.06.2026, registered as F.I.R./Case Crime No. 592 of 2026, under Sections 351(3) and 352 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, and Section 3(1)(r) of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989, at Police Station Laksar, District Haridwar, along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom. 3. A Compounding Application, jointly signed by the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned counsel for respondent nos. 3 and 4, duly supported by the affidavits of the petitioner as well as respondent nos. 3 and 4, has been filed before this Court. 4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that a bare perusal of the F.I.R. would reveal that no offence under Section 3(1)(r) of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 is made out, even if the allegations contained therein are accepted at their face value. It is submitted that, according to the allegations in the F.I.R.,



		the petitioner is alleged to have abused respondent no. 3 during a conversation. However, the alleged incident did not take place within public view and, therefore, the essential ingredients of Section 3(1)(r) of the Act are not attracted. 5. Be that as it may, learned counsel for the parties submit that all disputes between the parties have been amicably resolved and that respondent nos. 3 and 4 have no grievance whatsoever against the petitioner. 6. Today, the petitioner and respondent nos. 3 and 4 are present before this Court through video conferencing and have been duly identified by their respective learned counsel. 7. Respondent nos. 3 and 4 have categorically stated that they have no objection if the impugned F.I.R. and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom are quashed. 8. This Court has interacted with respondent nos. 3 and 4 and is satisfied that the compromise has been entered into voluntarily, without any coercion, undue influence or pressure, and of their own free will. 9. Learned State Counsel opposed the Compounding Application on the ground that the offences alleged are non-compoundable. In response, learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that, in view of the amicable settlement arrived at between the parties and the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court may exercise its inherent jurisdiction to quash the criminal proceedings. 10. Having heard the learned counsel for the parties and upon perusal of the material available on record, this Court finds that the parties have amicably settled their disputes. Respondent nos. 3 and 4 do not wish to pursue the criminal proceedings any further. In view of the
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		settlement arrived at between the parties and the peculiar facts and circumstances of the case, the possibility of conviction appears to be remote and bleak. Continuation of the criminal proceedings would serve no useful purpose and would amount to an abuse of the process of the Court. 11. Having regard to the principles laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in <i>Gian Singh v. State of Punjab</i>, (2012) 10 SCC 303, and considering the peculiar facts and circumstances of the present case, this Court is of the considered opinion that the ends of justice would be served by quashing the impugned F.I.R. and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom. 12. Accordingly, the Criminal Writ Petition is allowed. The F.I.R. dated 24.06.2026, registered as F.I.R./Case Crime No. 592 of 2026, under Sections 351(3) and 352 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, and Section 3(1)(r) of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989, at Police Station Laksar, District Haridwar, along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom, is hereby quashed. 13. Consequently, the Compounding Application also stands disposed of. 14. Pending applications, if any, shall also stand disposed of. (Alok Mahra, J.) 28-07-2026 SB
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