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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

CNR No. DLHC010209772026

+ **CRL.M.C. 3669/2026 & CRL.M.A. 14892/2026 FOR EXMP.**

MANOJ KAUL & ORS.

.....Petitioners

Through: Ms. Nidhi Saxena, Adv. with
petitioners in person

versus

THE STATE OF NCT OF DELHI & ANR.

.....Respondents

Through: Ms. Richa Dhawan, APP with SI
Pradeep Kr.
Mr. Shubham Thakur, Adv. for R-2
with R-2 in person.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MADHU JAIN

ORDER
21.08.2026

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1. This hearing has been done through hybrid mode.
2. The present petition has been filed under Section 528 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 seeking quashing of **FIR No. 939/2015** dated 12.10.2015, registered at Police Station Mandawali, Delhi, for the commission of offences punishable under Section 498A/406/506/34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (hereinafter referred to as the 'IPC') and Sections 3/4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961, along with all consequential proceedings emanating therefrom.
3. Issue notice. Learned APP for the State accepts notice on behalf of the State.
4. All the petitioners and Respondent No.2 are present before this Court



and have been duly identified by their respective learned counsel as well as the Investigating Officer concerned.

5. Briefly stated, the marriage between Petitioner No.1 and Respondent No.2 was solemnized on 24.11.2007 in accordance with Hindu rites and ceremonies. Out of the said wedlock, a son, namely Rudra Kaul, was born on 01.09.2009. Owing to temperamental differences, the parties started residing separately with effect from 12.08.2012. Thereafter, Respondent No.2 lodged the present FIR against the petitioners. During the pendency of the proceedings, with the intervention of their relatives and well-wishers, the parties amicably resolved their disputes on 15.01.2025 and resumed cohabitation. The parties are presently residing together along with their child and are leading a peaceful matrimonial life. The parties thereafter executed a Memorandum of Understanding in April 2026 recording their settlement and their intention to seek quashing of the present FIR.

6. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the dispute between the parties was purely matrimonial in nature and arose out of personal differences and misunderstandings. It is further submitted that the parties have since resumed cohabitation and are living together peacefully along with their child. It is also submitted that Respondent No.2 does not wish to pursue the present criminal proceedings and has no surviving grievance against the petitioners.

7. On a query made by this Court, Respondent No.2, who has been duly identified, categorically states that she has entered into the settlement out of her own free will and without any force, coercion or undue influence. She further states that she has been residing with Petitioner No.1 since the settlement and has no objection if the present FIR and all consequential proceedings emanating therefrom are quashed.



8. In view of the fact that the parties have amicably resolved their matrimonial disputes, have resumed cohabitation and are presently residing together along with their child, and Respondent No.2 has no objection to the quashing of the FIR, no useful purpose would be served by continuing the criminal proceedings. Rather, continuation thereof would only result in unnecessary litigation and may disturb the matrimonial harmony which the parties have restored. In the facts and circumstances of the present case, it would be in the interest of justice to bring the proceedings to an end.

9. Accordingly, **FIR No. 939/2015** dated 12.10.2015, registered at Police Station Mandawali, Delhi, initially under Section 307 IPC, in which charges have been framed under Sections 498A/406/506/34 IPC and Sections 3/4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961, and all consequential proceedings emanating therefrom, are hereby quashed.

10. The present petition stands disposed of.

11. Copy of the order be communicated to the concerned Trial Court for necessary action and compliance.

12. The order be uploaded on the website *forthwith*.

MADHU JAIN, J

AUGUST 21, 2026/JYH/P