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

+ **W.P.(CRL) 988/2018**

ABHISHEK ASTHANA & ORS Petitioners

Represented by: **Mr.Samir Sapar Vashistha and
Mr.Ashutosh Jha, Advocates**

versus

STATE OF NCT OF DELHI & ANR Respondents

Represented by: **Mr.Rajesh Mahajan (ASC-State) with
Ms.Jyoti Babbar, Advocate and SI
Pawan Yadav, PS Paharganj
Mr.Pawan Kumar, Advocate for R-2**

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HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MUKTA GUPTA

ORDER

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09.04.2018

Crl.M.A.No.6135/2018

Allowed subject to just exceptions.

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1. By the present petition, the petitioners seek quashing of FIR No.72/2015 under Sections 498A/406/34 IPC registered at PS Paharganj, Delhi on the complaint of respondent No.2 and the proceedings pursuant thereto on the ground that the parties have settled the matter.

2. Learned Additional Standing Counsel for the State on instructions submits that in the above noted FIR, the three petitioners are the only accused and the respondent No.2 is the only complainant/victim.

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3. Respondent No.2 who is present in Court and is identified by the learned counsel and Investigating Officer states that she has settled the matter with the petitioners before the Delhi High Court Mediation and Conciliation Centre on 10th July, 2017, copy whereof is annexed as Annexure-P-3. In terms of the settlement, marriage between the petitioner No.1 and respondent No.2/complainant has been dissolved by a decree of divorce by mutual consent. As full and final settlement of all the claims, that is, maintenance, streedhan and alimony etc. of the respondent No.2, the petitioner No.1 has to pay a sum of ₹22.5 lakhs to respondent No.2 out of which she has already received a sum of ₹15 lakhs and the balance amount of ₹7.5 lakhs has been received by her today in Court vide Manager's Cheque No. 002649 drawn on HDFC Bank. She further states that she has no claim whatsoever remaining against the petitioners. In terms of the settlement she does not want to pursue the abovementioned FIR and the proceedings pursuant thereto.

4. Petitioners who are present in Court and are identified by the learned counsel affirm the statement of respondent No.2 and undertake to abide by the terms of settlement arrived at between the parties.

5. In view of the fact that the parties have amicably resolved their differences of their own free will, volition and without any coercion and no useful purpose will be served in continuance of the proceedings, rather the same would create further acrimony between them, it would be in the interest of justice to quash the abovementioned FIR and the proceedings pursuant thereto. There is no legal impediment in quashing the FIR in question.

6. Consequently, FIR No.72/2015 under Sections 498A/406/34 IPC registered at PS Paharganj, Delhi and proceedings pursuant thereto are hereby quashed.
7. Parties have signed this order sheet in acknowledgment of their statements made before this Court.
8. Petition is disposed of.
9. Order dasti.

MUKTA GUPTA, J.

APRIL 09, 2018

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