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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 20.08.2024

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE K.MURALI SHANKAR

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1.A.Lingaraj

2.Panjavarnam

... Petitioners

Vs.

1.The Inspector of Police,
All Women Police Station,
Paramakudi,
Ramanathapuram District.

2.Nagasumithra

... Respondents

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 528 BNSS, to call for the records in Crime No.13 of 2024 on the file of the All Women Police Station, Paramakudi, Ramanathapuram District and quash the same.

For Petitioners : Mr.S.C.Herold Singh

For R1 : Mr.P.Kottaichamy,
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)

For R2 : Mr.T.Kaviselvam



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ORDER

This Criminal Original Petition has been filed, invoking Section 528 BNSS seeking orders to call for the records pertaining to the First Information Report in Crime No.13 of 2024 on the file of the first respondent police and quash the same as illegal against the petitioners.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the marriage of the second respondent and the first petitioner was solemnized on 15.03.2021, that at the time of marriage, the second respondent's family gave three sovereigns of gold jewels to the first petitioner, seven sovereigns of gold jewels to the second respondent and household articles worth about Rs.3,00,000/-, that after marriage the accused persons harassed the second respondent by demanding additional dowry and hence, the second respondent lodged a complaint before the first respondent.

3.When the matter is taken up for hearing today, the learned counsel appearing for the petitioners would submit that the second respondent has lodged a complaint before the first respondent and on that basis, FIR came to be registered in Crime No.13 of 2024 dated



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27.06.2024 for the offence under Section 498(A) IPC against the petitioners.

4.The case is still under the investigation. By passage of time, the parties have decided to bury their hatchet and compromise the dispute amicably among themselves.

5.A Joint Memo of Compromise has been filed before this Court which have been signed by the petitioners and the second respondent and also by their respective counsel. The petitioners and the second respondent were also present in person before this Court and they were identified by the Inspector of Police, All Women Police Station as well as by the learned counsels appearing for the parties. This Court also enquired both the parties and was satisfied that the parties have come to an amicable settlement between themselves.

6.In the instant case, the dispute is of personal in nature and now the parties had compromised. Where the parties have compromised the matter, the High Court has power to quash the complaint for the offences under Section 498(A) IPC.



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7.The legal position expressed by the Hon'ble Apex Court in the case of ***Gian Singh vs. State of Panjab and another*** reported in ***(2012)10 SCC 303*** and ***Parbathbhai Aahir @ Parbathbhai Vs. State of Gujraath*** reported in ***(2017)9 SCC 641*** were taken into consideration.

8.In the light of the guidelines issued in the above said Judgments of the Hon'ble Apex Court, no useful purpose will be served in keeping the proceedings in Crime No.13 of 2024 pending before the first respondent police, even though, the offences involved are not compoundable in nature.

9.Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition stands allowed and as a sequel, the proceedings in Crime No.13 of 2024 on the file of the first respondent police, is quashed and the terms of joint compromise memo shall form part and parcel of this order.

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