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

+ **CRL.M.C. 378/2024 & CRL.M.A. 1473/2024 (Exemption)**

TAJINDER SINGH & ORS.

..... Petitioners

Through: Mr. Vinay J. And Mr. Deepak N.,
Advocates alongwith P-1 to 3 in
person and P-4 through VC.

versus

STATE OF NCT OF DELHI & ANR.

..... Respondents

Through: Mr. Sunil Kumar Gautam, APP for
the State.

SI Km. Jyoti, PS Hari Nagar.

R-2 in person.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMIT SHARMA

ORDER

16.02.2024

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1. The present petition filed under Section 482 of the Cr.P.C. seeks quashing of the FIR No. 547/2020, under Sections 498A/406/34 of the IPC, registered at P.S. Hari Nagar and all other consequential proceedings emanating therefrom, including the chargesheet pending before the court of Ms. Karuna, learned Metropolitan Magistrate, Mahila Court-02, West, Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi.
2. The marriage between petitioner no.1/husband and respondent no.2/wife was solemnized on 13.05.2019 as per Hindu rites and ceremonies.
3. No child was born out of the said wedlock.
4. Due to matrimonial differences between petitioner no. 1 and respondent no. 2, the parties started residing separately from August 2019. Subsequently, respondent no.2/complainant registered an FIR against



petitioner no.1 (husband), petitioner no. 2 (brother-in-law), petitioner no. 3 (mother-in-law) and petitioner no. 4 (uncle/*chacha* of petitioner no. 1).

5. On 02.09.2023, parties arrived at a settlement before Counselling Cell, Family Court, West, Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi and as per the said settlement deed, petitioner no.1 has agreed to pay an amount of Rs. 50,000/- to the respondent no.2/wife towards full and final settlement of all her claims including *istridhan*, permanent alimony and maintenance - present, past and future. The copy of the aforesaid settlement deed dated 02.09.2023 is on record (Annexure-C).

6. In terms of the said settlement, the marriage between the parties stands dissolved by a decree of divorce dated 16.11.2023, passed by Shri Vinay Kumar Khanna, Principal Judge, Family Court (West), Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi (Annexure-D). Further, as per the settlement deed, the total amount of Rs. 50,000/- has already been paid to respondent no.2.

7. Petitioners no. 1 to 3 and complainant/respondent no. 2 are present before the Court and petitioner no. 4 is present through video conferencing and all have been duly identified by the Investigating Officer, SI Km. Jyoti, PS Hari Nagar.

8. The complainant/respondent No.2 states that the matter has been settled with the petitioners and she has no objection if the FIR is quashed. She further states that all the terms of the agreement have been complied with.

9. In view of the settlement between the parties, learned APP for the State also has no objection if the present FIR is quashed.

10. In *Gian Singh v. State of Punjab*, (2012) 10 SCC 303, the Hon'ble Supreme Court has recognized the need of amicable resolution of disputes



by observing as under:-

“61. ... In other words, the High Court must consider whether it would be unfair or contrary to the interest of justice to continue with the criminal proceedings or continuation of criminal proceedings would tantamount to abuse of process of law despite settlement and compromise between the victim and the wrongdoer and whether to secure the ends of justice, it is appropriate that criminal case is put to an end and if the answer to the above question(s) is in the affirmative, the High Court shall be well within its jurisdiction to quash the criminal proceeding.”

11. In view of the aforesaid circumstances, and the fact that the parties have put a quietus to the dispute, no useful purpose will be served in continuing with the present FIR No. 547/2020, under Sections 498A/406/34 of the IPC, registered at P.S. Hari Nagar and all other consequential proceedings emanating therefrom, including the chargesheet pending before the court of Ms. Karuna, learned Metropolitan Magistrate, Mahila Court-02, West, Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi.

12. In the interest of justice, the petition is allowed, and the FIR No. 547/2020, under Sections 498A/406/34 of the IPC, registered at P.S. Hari Nagar and all other consequential proceedings emanating therefrom, including the chargesheet pending before the court of Ms. Karuna, learned Metropolitan Magistrate, Mahila Court-02, West, Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi, is hereby quashed.

13. Petition is allowed and disposed of accordingly.

14. Pending application(s), if any, also stand disposed of.

AMIT SHARMA, J

FEBRUARY 16, 2024/sn