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

+ **CRL.M.C. 625/2023**

LALLAN KUMAR & ORS.

..... Petitioners

Through: Mr.Mayank Maini and Mr.Amit,
Advocates with petitioners in person

versus

STATE OF NCT OF DELHI & ANR.

..... Respondents

Through: Mr.Aashneet Singh, APP for State with
ASI Satish Kumar
Respondent No.2 in person

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ KUMAR OHRI

ORDER

13.02.2024

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1. By way of present petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C., the petitioners seek quashing of FIR No.639/2019 registered under Sections 498A/406/34 IPC read with Sections 3 & 4 of Dowry Prohibition Act at P.S. Prem Nagar, Delhi on the ground that the parties have amicably settled their disputes.
2. The present FIR is an outcome of a matrimonial dispute between the complainant/respondent No. 2 (wife) and petitioners No.1 to 4, who are the in-laws of the complainant.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the husband of the complainant is not traceable.



4. Learned APP for the State submits that respondent No.2 is the complainant/victim and that apart from the present petitioners, *Pintu Kumar*/husband is also an accused. He, on instructions, submits that on account of his continued absence, NBWs have been issued against the husband of the complainant. He also submits that the divorce proceedings are also pending where in *Pintu Kumar* is not appearing and the matter is at the stage of ex-parte proceedings.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the parties have settled their dispute vide Memorandum of Understanding dated 09.09.2022. As per the terms of settlement, an amount of Rs.2,10,000/- was to be paid to respondent No.2. Out of the settlement amount, the balance amount of Rs.1,00,000/- is being paid today by way of demand draft bearing No.418427 dated 07.02.2024 drawn on Canara Bank, Rupnagar. In terms of the settlement, respondent No.2 is now left with no claim whatsoever against the present petitioners.

6. The petitioners, who are present in the Court, have been identified by their counsel and the Investigating Officer. Respondent No.2, who is also present in Court, is identified by the Investigating Officer.

7. Respondent No. 2 states that she has entered into the aforesaid Memorandum of Understanding qua the present petitioners only with her own free will, volition and without any coercion. She further states that she has no objection if the present FIR and consequent proceedings are quashed.

8. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that no other proceedings are pending between the parties.

9. The parties shall remain bound by the statements made in Court today.



10. In view of the above facts and since no useful purpose will be served in continuance of the present criminal proceedings, it is directed that the aforesaid FIR and the consequent proceedings arising therefrom are hereby quashed against the present petitioners only subject to encashment of aforesaid demand draft. The proceedings would continue against *Pintu Kumar*.

11. The petition is disposed of in the above terms.

MANOJ KUMAR OHRI, J

FEBRUARY 13, 2024

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