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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ **W.P.(CRL) 297/2024**
SANJAY BANSAL & ANR. Petitioners
Through: Mr. Saurabh Jhamb, Advocate with
petitioners in person

versus

THE STATE GOVT. OF NCT OF DELHI AND ANR. Respondents
Through: Mr. Anand V. Khatri, ASC with
ASI Hemant Kumar, PS Jagatpuri
Mr. Sanjeet Kr. Trivedi, Advocate for respondent
No.2/BSES with AR of respondent No.2

CORAM:
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ KUMAR OHRI

ORDER
29.01.2024

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CRL.M.A. 2751/2024 (exemption)

1. Allowed, subject to all just exceptions.
2. The application is disposed of.

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1. The present petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India read with Section 482 Cr.P.C. seeking quashing of FIR No.720/2022 registered under Sections 135/138/150 Indian Electricity Act (Amend.), 2003 at P.S. Jagatpuri, New Delhi on the ground that the parties have amicably settled their disputes.
2. As per the allegations levelled in the FIR, the meter installed was found to be defective by respondent No.2, and upon inspection by the officials, it was suspected to be tampered with by the petitioners.



3. Learned APP for the State submits that in the present case the petitioners are the only accused persons and respondent No.2 is the only complainant/victim.
4. Learned counsels for the parties submit that the parties have settled their disputes before the Lok Adalat and the payment of the settlement amount has already been made. Reference in this regard has been made to the No Dues Certificate issued by respondent No.2, a copy of which has been placed on record. In terms of the same, respondent No.2 is now left with no claim whatsoever against the present petitioners.
5. The petitioners and AR of respondent No.2, who are present in the Court, have been identified by their respective counsels and the Investigating Officer.
6. The petitioners have shown remorse for their conduct and they undertake not to repeat the same in future.
7. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that no other proceedings are pending between the parties.
8. The parties shall remain bound by the statements made in Court today.
9. 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, subject to payment of cumulative cost of Rs.5,000/- to be deposited with the Delhi State Legal Services Authority within a period of four weeks from today. The amount so deposited shall be utilized by the Delhi State Legal Services Authority for providing counselling/psychological support to POCSO victims requiring such assistance.



10. Proof evidencing receipt of deposit shall be filed with the Investigating Officer as well as in Court.
11. With the above directions, the petition is disposed of alongwith the pending application.
12. Let a copy of this order be communicated to the Member Secretary, Delhi State Legal Services Authority for information.
13. The Registry shall list the matter before this Court in case receipt of costs to be paid by the petitioners is not filed within the stipulated time period.

MANOJ KUMAR OHRI, J

JANUARY 29, 2024

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