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

+ **CRL.M.C. 957/2023**

MOHD ARAKAN & ORS.

..... Petitioners

Through: Mr. Mohd Mozakkir Hashmi, Advocate
versus

THE STATE NCT OF DELHI

..... Respondent

Through: Mr. Laksh Khanna, APP for State with
SI Sohan Lal

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ KUMAR OHRI

ORDER

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15.02.2024

1. By way of present petition filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C., the petitioners seek quashing of FIR No.243/2018 registered under Sections 498A/406/506/34 IPC at P.S. Fatehpuri Beri, 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 petitioner No.1 (husband) whereas petitioner Nos. 2 to 7 are the in-laws of the complainant.
3. Learned APP for the State submits that the petitioners are the only accused persons and respondent No. 2 is the complainant/victim.
4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that petitioner No.1 and respondent No.2 have already been divorced whereafter they also entered into a settlement vide Settlement Deed dated 06.06.2019. A copy of the said settlement has also been placed on record. In terms of the settlement, a sum of Rs.3,80,000/- has also been paid as full and final settlement by petitioner No.1 to respondent No.2. In the settlement, respondent No.2 had also agreed for quashing of the present FIR. It is further stated that before filing of the



present petition, respondent No.2 unfortunately expired on 07.05.2021. A copy of the death certificate has also been placed on record. The death certificate has been verified and a status report verifying the death certificate of respondent No.2 has also been placed on record. The Status Report further states that the Investigating Officer had contacted the father of the deceased, who had admitted that during her lifetime respondent No.2 had entered into the aforesaid settlement and had also received a sum of Rs.3,80,000/- towards full and final settlement. The report further states that the father of the deceased has no objection for the quashing of the FIR. The statement of the father has been annexed with the Status Report. The case is at the stage where only charges have been framed.

5. The petitioners, who are present in the Court, have been identified by their counsel and the Investigating Officer.

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

7. 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.

8. The petition is disposed of in the above terms alongwith the pending application.

MANOJ KUMAR OHRI, J

FEBRUARY 15, 2024

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