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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ **W.P.(CRL) 1233/2023**

NEERAJ CHITKARA

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. A.K. Tripathi and Mr. Abhishek
Rawat, Advocates with petitioner in
person.

versus

STATE OF NCT OF DELHI & ANR.

.....Respondents

Through: Mr. Anand V Khatri, ASC for State
alongwith SI Pradeep Kr., P.S.
Rajouri Garden.
Mr. Arpit Batra, Advocate for
respondent No.2 with respondent
No.2 in person.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ KUMAR OHRI

ORDER
25.09.2024

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1. The present proceedings are instituted under Article 226 of the Constitution of India on behalf of the petitioners seeking quashing of FIR No. 0486/2022 registered under Sections 285/336 IPC at P.S. Rajouri Garden, Delhi on the ground that the parties have amicably settled their disputes.
2. As per the allegations levelled in the FIR, a fire incident occurred at the shop owned by the respondent No.2, however no name was mentioned in the FIR. The petitioner owns the adjoining shop where some construction was being carried out by his tenant.
3. Learned ASC for the State, on instructions, submits that the petitioner



is the only accused person and respondent No.2 is the complainant/victim in the present case. He, on instructions, submits that no case is found to be made out and, in fact, a closure report has been filed in the concerned Court which is pending consideration.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner and respondent No. 2 have amicably settled their disputes vide MOU dated 18.08.2022, a copy of which has been placed on record.

5. The petitioner and respondent No.2, who are present in Court, have been identified by their respective counsel as well as the I.O./SI Pradeep Kr., P.S. Rajouri Garden. Petitioner volunteers to deposit a sum of Rs.10,000/- with the DSLSA as his contribution towards the benefit of society.

6. Respondent No. 2 states that she has entered into the settlement with the petitioner out of 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.

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

8. In view of the above facts and considering that no useful purpose will be served in continuance of the proceedings, it is directed that the aforesaid FIR and the consequent proceedings arising therefrom are hereby quashed, subject to payment of Rs.10,000/-, as volunteered by the petitioner, with the Delhi State Legal Services Authority (A/c No. 18580110053263, UCO Bank, Branch : Rouse Avenue, IFSC : UCBA0003364) within a period of four weeks from today. The amount so deposited shall be utilized by the DSLSA for providing counselling/psychological support to POCSO victims requiring such assistance.



9. Proof evidencing receipt of deposit shall be filed with the I.O. as well as in Court failing which, the I.O. shall be at liberty to move appropriate application.
10. A copy of this order be communicated to the Member Secretary, Delhi State Legal Services Authority for intimation.
11. With the above directions, the petition is disposed of.

MANOJ KUMAR OHRI, J

SEPTEMBER 25, 2024
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