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

+ **CRL.M.C. 5660/2023 and CRL.M.A. 833/2024**

P.P. RAVEENDRAN

..... Petitioner

Through: Ms. Jyoti Nambiar, Advocate

versus

STATE OF NCT OF DELHI AND ORS

..... Respondents

Through: Mr. Naval Kishore Jha, APP for State
with SI Meenu, PS Kirti Nagar and SI Ashish, PS
Janak Puri

Mr. Nitesh Kumar Singh, Advocate for respondent
No.3 with respondent No.3 in person

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ KUMAR OHRI

ORDER

09.01.2024

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1. With the consent of the parties and considering that the Investigating Officer is also present today, the present petition is taken up for consideration today itself.
2. The present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. seeking quashing of FIR No.71/2020 registered under Section 420 IPC at Police Station Kirti Nagar, Delhi on the ground that the parties have amicably settled their disputes.
3. The present FIR has been lodged at the instance of the complainant/respondent No. 3 against the petitioner alleging that the petitioner had promised to get respondent No.3's children admitted in a



certain school, for which purpose the petitioner also took certain amount. However, the petitioner failed to undertake the same and even refused to return the amount paid by respondent No.3.

4. Learned APP for the State submits that in the present case, the petitioner is the only accused person and respondent No.3 is the only complainant/victim.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the parties have entered into a settlement vide Settlement Deed dated 31.01.2022. It is submitted that the present FIR arises out of a private dispute between the parties and that in terms of the settlement, respondent No.3 is now left with no claim whatsoever against the petitioner.

6. The petitioner and respondent No.3, who are present in the Court have been identified by their respective counsels and the Investigating Officer.

7. Respondent No.3 states that he has entered into the aforesaid settlement deed out of his own free will, volition and without any coercion. He further states that he has no objection if the present FIR and consequent proceedings are quashed.

8. Learned counsel for the petitioner 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 proceedings, it is directed that the aforesaid FIR is hereby quashed, subject to payment of cost of Rs.10,000/- by the petitioner to be deposited with the Delhi State Legal Services Authority (DLSA) within a period of two weeks from today. The amount so deposited shall be



utilized by DLSA for providing counselling/psychological support to POCSO victims requiring such assistance.

11. Proof evidencing receipt of deposit shall be filed with the Investigating Officer as well as in Court.

12. With the above directions, the petition is disposed of alongwith the pending application.

13. The date already fixed i.e., 27.02.2024 is cancelled.

14. Let a copy of this order be communicated to the Member Secretary, DLSA for information.

15. The Registry shall list the matter before this Court in case receipt of costs to be paid by the petitioner is not filed within the stipulated time period.

MANOJ KUMAR OHRI, J

JANUARY 9, 2024

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