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

+ **CRL.M.C. 7361/2023**

PRATEEK LALWANI AND OTHERS Petitioners

Through: Ms. Harshita Bhatt, Advocate with
petitioners in person.

versus

THE STATE (NCT OF DELHI) AND ANOTHER..... Respondents

Through: Mr. Nawal Kishore Jha, APP for State
with SI K.M Jyoti PS Hari Nagar,
Delhi.

Respondent No.2 through VC.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ KUMAR OHRI

ORDER

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15.02.2024

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. seeking quashing of FIR No.257/2022 registered under Sections 498A/406/34 IPC at P.S. Hari Nagar (West) 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 4 are the in-laws of the complainant.
3. Mr. Nawal Kishore Jha, learned APP for the State submits that in the present case petitioners are the only accused persons and respondent No. 2 is the complainant/victim.
4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the parties have settled their disputes on 14.02.2022 before Mediation Centre, District Courts, Gurugram. In terms of the settlement, the parties have already been granted divorce by mutual consent vide divorce decree dated 14.09.2022



passed by the Family Court, Tis Hazari Court, Delhi in HMA No. 1951/2022. It was agreed that a sum of Rs.8,00,000/- as full and final settlement shall be paid by petitioner No. 1 to respondent No. 2. It is further submitted that the entire amount has been paid. In terms of the settlement, respondent No.2 is now left with no claim or grievance against the petitioners.

5. Petitioners, who are present in Court, have been identified by their counsel as well as by I.O./ SI K.M Jyoti PS Hari Nagar, Delhi. Respondent No.2, who is also present in Court, has been identified by the I.O.

6. Respondent No. 2 states that she has settled her disputes with the petitioners of her own free will, volition and without any coercion. She also acknowledges the receipt of entire settled amount and submits that she has no objection in case the FIR is quashed.

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 and undertaking 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.

10. With the above directions, the petition is disposed of alongwith miscellaneous applications.

MANOJ KUMAR OHRI, J

FEBRUARY 15, 2024/rd