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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ **CRL.M.C. 5700/2022 & CRL.M.A. 7932/2023**
RAMANDEEP SINGH

..... Petitioner

Through: Mr. Manoj & Mr. Anil Kumar
Jain, Advs.
Petitioner present in person.

versus

THE STATE NCT OF DELHI & ANR.

..... Respondents

Through: Mr. Aman Usman, APP.
SI Devender Yadav, PS
Vikaspuri.
Mr. Jogender Kumar and Mr.
Sumit Dagar, Advs. for R-2
(through VC).
Respondent no.2 present
through VC.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAVIN CHAWLA

ORDER

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06.03.2024

1. This petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (in short, 'Cr.P.C.') seeking quashing of FIR No. 477/2016 registered at Police Station: Vikaspuri, West District, Delhi under Sections 279/338 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (in short, 'IPC'), along with all other proceedings arising therefrom, on the basis of a settlement.
2. The disputes between the parties and the subject FIR arose out of a motor accident.
3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the parties have amicably settled their *inter se* disputes and have entered into a



settlement before the Lok Adalat on 16.02.2020.

4. The respondent no.2 is present in Court through VC and has been duly identified by the Investigating Officer (IO), and he reaffirms the settlement and states that he has settled all the disputes with the petitioner out of his own free will and without any coercion. The respondent no.2 submits that he has no objection if the present FIR is quashed.

5. I have perused the contents of the FIR and also the settlement between the parties.

6. Keeping in view the fact that the respondent no.2 does not wish to pursue his complaint any further, as also the Settlement arrived at between the parties, I find that no useful purpose shall be served in continuing with the proceedings of the present FIR as it would create further acrimony between the parties and will be an unnecessary burden on the State exchequer.

7. Guided by the principles enunciated by the Supreme Court in its judgments in *Gian Singh v. State of Punjab*, (2012) 10 SCC 303; *Parbatbhai Aahir @ Parbatbhai Bhimsinbhai Karmur & Ors. v. State of Gujarat & Ors.* (2017) 9 SCC 641; and, *State of Haryana & Ors. v. Bhajan Lal & Ors.* 1992 Supp (1) SCC 335, this Court deems it appropriate, in the interest of justice, to exercise its inherent powers under Section 482 of the Cr.P.C. to quash the FIR and all the proceedings emanating therefrom.

8. Accordingly, the petition is allowed. FIR No. 477/2016 registered at Police Station: Vikaspuri, West District, Delhi under Sections 279/338 of IPC and all consequential proceedings emanating



therefrom against the petitioner are quashed, subject to the condition that the petitioner shall deposit costs of Rs.15,000/- with the Delhi State Legal Services Authority within a period of two weeks from today, and file proof of such deposit with the Registry of this Court and also supply a copy thereof to the IO, within the said period.

9. The costs so deposited shall be utilised by the Delhi State Legal Services Authority for providing counselling/psychological support to the POCSO Victims requiring such assistance.

10. The pending application is also disposed of.

NAVIN CHAWLA, J

MARCH 6, 2024/rv/AS

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