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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ **W.P.(CRL) 2687/2024**
MANMEET SINGH SONI & ORS.Petitioners
Through: **Ms. Swati Arora, Advocate.**

versus

STATE NCT OF DELHI AND ANRRespondents
Through: **Mr. Sanjay Lao, Standing Counsel for**
State with SI Reena, PS Prashant
Vihar.
Mr. Nikhil, Adv. for Respondent No.2
with R-2 in person.

CORAM:
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ KUMAR OHRI

ORDER
02.09.2024

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1. The present petition has been filed on behalf of the petitioners seeking quashing of FIR No. 0371/2021 registered under Sections 498-A/406/34 IPC at P.S. Prashant Vihar, Delhi on the ground that the parties have amicably settled their disputes.
2. Issue notice.
3. Learned Standing Counsel for the State has accepted the notice on behalf of State.
2. The present FIR is an outcome of a matrimonial dispute between the complainant/respondent No. 2 (wife) and petitioners wherein, petitioner No. 1 is husband, petitioner No. 2 is mother-in-law and petitioner No. 3 is sister-in-law of the complainant.
3. Learned APP for the State submits that in the present case, petitioners are the only accused persons and respondent No. 2 is the only



complainant/victim. The chargesheet has not been filed.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the parties have settled their disputes vide Settlement Agreement/MoU on 18.03.2024. In terms of the settlement, the joint statement of the parties was recorded and parties have been granted divorce by mutual consent vide divorce decree dated 30.05.2024 passed by the Principal Judge, Family Courts, Delhi in HMA No. 03/2021. As per the Settlement Agreement, it was agreed that a sum of Rs.22,00,000/- as full and final settlement shall be paid by petitioner No. 1 to respondent No. 2 towards her claims qua maintenance, stridhan, alimony, etc. It is further submitted that out of the settled amount of Rs.22,00,000/-, remaining balance amount of Rs.5,00,000/- is being paid today through a demand draft no. 002455, dated 26.07.2024, drawn at AU Small Finance Bank, a photocopy of which has been placed on record.

5. Petitioners, who are present in Court, have been identified by their counsels as well as by I.O./ SI Reena, P.S. Prashant Vihar.

6. Respondent No. 2, who is also present in Court and identified by the I.O., states that she has settled her disputes with petitioner No.1 out 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 against the petitioners subject to encashment of the demand draft of Rs.5,00,000/- handed over to her today.

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, subject to encashment of aforesaid demand draft of Rs.5,00,000/-.

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

MANOJ KUMAR OHRI, J

SEPTEMBER 2, 2024

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