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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ **W.P.(CRL) 4014/2024 & CRL.M.A. 38717/2024, CRL.M.A.**
38718/2024, CRL.M.A. 38719/2024
AMAN MEHRA & ORS.Petitioners

Through: Mr. Mudit Sood, Mr. Udit Grover and
Mr. Yogesh Gupta, Advocates
alongwith the petitioners.

versus

STATE GOVT. OF NCT OF DELHI AND ANR.Respondents
Through: Mr. Sanjay Lao, Standing Counsel for
the State with Insp. Rajiv, P.S.
Malviya Nagar.
Mr. Iaswinder S. Nishcal, Advocate
for R2 with R2.

CORAM:
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUP JAIRAM BHAMBHANI
ORDER
23.12.2024

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By way of the present petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, the petitioners, who are the former husband and in-laws of the complainant/respondent No. 2, seek quashing of case FIR No. 357/2018 dated 29.10.2018 registered under sections 498A/323/34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 ('IPC') at P.S.: Malviya Nagar, New Delhi.

2. The petition is premised on Settlement Agreement dated 19.12.2023; and Divorce Decree dated 24.05.2024, which is the culmination of petitions under sections 13B(1) and 13B(2) of the Hindu Marriage Act 1955, whereby the parties had sought dissolution of their marriage by mutual consent.



3. The petition is supported by affidavits of the petitioners, as also of respondent No. 2, alongwith proof of their IDs.
4. The Petitioners as well as respondent No. 2 are present in court. Their credentials have been verified and they have also been identified by their respective counsel.
5. The parties have confirmed that no child was born from the wedlock.
6. No appeal is stated to have been filed from the divorce decree.
7. The court has queried respondent No. 2, who confirms that she has taken divorce by mutual consent; and that a settlement agreement has been entered into between the parties; and that in full-and-final settlement of all her claims including towards maintenance (past, present and future), *stridhan*, dowry articles, jewellery, permanent alimony, etc., she was to receive a sum of Rs. 16,80,000/- from petitioner No. 1; out of which Rs. 12,40,000/- was paid earlier and Rs.4,40,000/- has been paid in court today, in compliance of the terms of the settlement agreement. Respondent No. 2 confirms that all aspects of the settlement have now been performed.
8. Mr. Sanjay Lao, learned Standing Counsel confirms that the State has no objection to the subject FIR being quashed.
9. In the circumstances, in line with the law laid down by the Supreme Court in *Gian Singh vs. State of Punjab & Anr.* reported as (2012) 10 SCC 303 as also in *Narinder Singh & Ors. vs. State of Punjab & Anr.* reported as (2014) 6 SCC 466, this court sees no reason why the subject FIR and all proceedings emanating therefrom should not be quashed. This court is of the view that in light of the settlement between the contesting parties, continuing with the subject FIR and all



subsequent proceedings would be an exercise in futility and would not be conducive to peace and harmony between the parties.

10. Accordingly, FIR No. 357/2018 dated 29.10.2018 registered under sections 498-A/323/34 of the IPC at P.S.: Malviya Nagar, New Delhi is quashed. All proceedings arising therefrom also stand closed.
11. Petition stands disposed-of.
12. Pending applications, if any, also stand disposed-of.

ANUP JAIRAM BHAMBHANI, J

DECEMBER 23, 2024

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