



Crl.O.P.No.23861 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 04.09.2025

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N. SATHISH KUMAR

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1.N.R.Sindhu Praba

2.S.Gowthamachandran

3. B.Somasundaram

4. S.Jayanthi

... Petitioners

Vs.

1.The State Rep. by

The Inspector of Police

Gomangalam Police Station

Coimbatore District

Crime No.145 of 2024

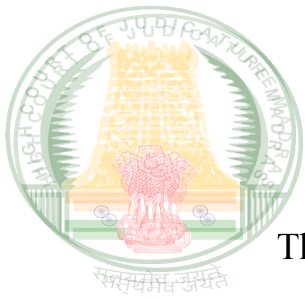
2. P.Sargunam

... Respondents

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 482 of Cr.P.C., to call for the records relating to Crime No.145 of 2024 on the file of 1st respondent and quash the same.

For Petitioner	:	Mr.Mohammed for Mr.K.Gowthaman
For R1	:	Mr.R.Vinothraja Government Advocate (Crl. Side)
For R2	:	Mr.G.Nareshkumar

ORDER



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The Criminal Original Petition has been filed to quash the FIR in Crime No.145 of 2024 on the file of 1st respondent on the basis of the compromise entered into between the parties.

2. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioners, the learned counsel appearing for the second respondent and the learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the first respondent police.

3. Based on the complaint given by the de facto complainant/second respondent, a case in Crime No.145 of 2024 was registered against the petitioners on 04.08.2024 for the offences under Sections 296(b), 115(2), 331(3) and 351 (3) of BNS, 2023.

4. The learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the defacto complainant is the mother of the 1st petitioner. The 2nd petitioner is the husband of the 1st petitioner. The petitioners 3 and 4 are the in-laws of the 1st petitioner. Due to family dispute, the mother of the 1st petitioner lodged a complaint against her own daughter and her family members. Now the parties have arrived to a amicable settlement between them and they have



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also filed affidavits of compromise to that effect. Hence, he seeks to quash the First Information Report as against the petitioners.

5. Except the 2nd petitioner/A2, the petitioners 1, 3 and 4 are present before this Court. The de-facto complainant/second respondent also present before this Court and they were identified by their respective counsel as well as by Mr.K.Durairaj (PC 984), Gomangalam Police Station, Coimbatore District.

6. On being enquired by this Court, the de facto complainant stated that she has amicably settled the dispute with the petitioners and not willing to pursue the criminal proceedings and she has no objection to quash the same. The petitioners and the defacto complainant have also filed affidavits of compromise to that effect.

7. The main issue that requires the consideration of this Court is as to whether this Court can quash the criminal proceedings involving non-compoundable offences pending against the petitioners. The Hon'ble Supreme Court in the case of ***Parbathbhai Aahir @ Parbathbhai Vs. State of Gujrath***, reported in ***2017 9 SCC 641*** and in case of ***The State of***



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Madhya Pradesh Vs. Dhruv Gurjar and Another reported in ***(2019) 2 MLJ***

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Crl 10, has given sufficient guidelines that must be taken into consideration by this Court while exercising its jurisdiction under Section 482 of Cr.P.C/528 BNSS, to quash non-compoundable offences. One very important test that has been laid down is that the Court must necessarily examine if the crime in question is purely individual in nature or a crime against the society with overriding public interest. The Hon'ble Supreme Court has held that offences against the society with overriding public interest even if it gets settled between the parties, cannot be quashed by this Court.

8. In the present case, the offences in question are purely individual/personal in nature. It involves dispute between the petitioners and the second respondent and quashing the proceedings will not affect any overriding public interest in this case and no useful purpose will be served in continuing with the criminal proceedings. Further, the Hon'ble Supreme Court in ***K.Bharthi Devi v. State of Telengana*** reported in ***(2024) 10 SCC 384***, has held that the offences, which overwhelmingly and predominantly bear civil flavour having arisen out of civil, mercantile, commercial, financial, partnership or such like transactions, where the wrong is basically



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to the victim, and the offender and the victim have settled all the disputes between them amicably, can be quashed by the High Court in exercise of its jurisdiction under Section 482 Cr.P.C.

9. In view of the above, the First Information Report in Crime No.145 of 2024 dated 04.08.2024 pending on the file of the first respondent, is quashed as against the petitioners. The affidavits filed by the petitioners and the second respondent for compromising the offences shall form part of the record.

10. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is allowed.

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Index:Yes/No

Speaking/Non-speaking order

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Neutral Citation:Yes/No

To

1. The Inspector of Police
Gomangalam Police Station, Coimbatore District
2. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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