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

+ CRL.M.C. 709/2025

MS. RICHA SHARMA & ORS.

.....Petitioners

Through: Mr. Rajeev Kumar and Ms. Nimmi Sinha, Advocates with petitioners in person.

versus

STATE & ANR.

.....Respondents

Through: Mr. Digam Singh Dagar, APP for the State.
Respondent no. 2 in person.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

ORDER
22.07.2025

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1. Quashing of an FIR No.181/2021 dated 29.06.2021, lodged at Police Station Pahar Ganj, District Central (Delhi), and all other consequential proceedings for offences under Sections 354A, 509, 323 and 34 of IPC, is sought herein on the basis of compromise arrived between the parties.
2. The parties are present in person before the Court. Upon interacting with them, it appears that the real dispute—being private in nature—has indeed been settled amicably. The complainant has also affirmed, without any coercion or duress, that she no longer wishes to pursue the charges and supports the quashing of the FIR.
3. On a Court query, as to why the FIR was instituted at the very first



place, it transpires that the real dispute between the parties pertains to the operation and management of the managing committee of Maa Jhandewali Urban Society, which manages the building in question where both parties reside. The complainant and the accused are/were office bearers of this committee. At the relevant time, a heated exchange took place, which led to the complainant lodging the present FIR.

4. It is thus evident that the petitioners and the complainant are well acquainted. Due to a misunderstanding, allegations were levelled against the petitioners in the heat of the moment at the time of FIR registration. However, they have since resolved their differences and arrived at a mutual compromise. They now wish to restore cordial relations.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioners, relying on the judgment in **Gian Singh vs. State of Punjab & Anr.**, (2012) 10 SCC 303, submits that in view of the settlement, the FIR and all consequential proceedings deserve to be quashed.

6. Learned counsel for the respondent-complainant and the learned Public Prosecutor confirm the existence of a compromise and state that they have no objection to the quashing of the FIR.

7. In view of the above, and applying the ratio laid down in **Gian Singh** (supra), it is deemed just and appropriate to invoke the inherent powers of this Court under Section 528 of the BNSS to prevent undue hardship to the parties and promote mutual goodwill and societal harmony. Allowing criminal proceedings to continue in light of the compromise would be an abuse of the process of law.

8. Accordingly, the instant petition is allowed. FIR No.181/2021 dated 29.06.2021, lodged at Police Station Pahar Ganj, District Central (Delhi),



and all other consequential proceedings for offences under Sections 354A, 509, 323 and 34 of IPC, against the petitioners are hereby quashed.

9. Pending application(s), if any, also stand disposed of.

ARUN MONGA, J

JULY 22, 2025

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