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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ CRL.M.C. 5200/2025 and CRL.M.A. 22463/2025 & CRL.M.A.
22464/2025

SONAK SHAURYAPetitioner
Through: Mr. Akshat Srivastava and
Ms.Samvesh Jha, Advocates.

versus

THE STATE OF NCT OF DELHIRespondent
Through: Mr. Sanjeev Sabharwal, APP for the
State with Inspector Rajeev Kumar,
PS – Amar Colony.
Mr. Aman Bidhuri and Mr. Gaurav
Bainsla, Advocates for respondent
no.2 with respondent no. 2 in person.

CORAM:
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

ORDER
19.08.2025

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1. The petitioner herein seeks quashing of an FIR No. 280/2021 dated 04.06.2021, lodged at Police Station Amar Colony, and all other consequential proceedings for offences under Sections 354A, 354D and 509 of IPC on the basis of compromise between the parties.
2. The complainant/Respondent No.2, submitted a written complaint alleging having received vulgar messages on Instagram/social media apps. Based on the said complaint the FIR in question was registered and investigation ensued.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the parties have settled



the dispute which arose out of some inter se misunderstanding. He relies on the judgment rendered in ***Gian Singh vs. State of Punjab & Anr., (2012) 10 SCC 303***, to submit that the FIR and all consequential proceedings deserve to be quashed.

4. Learned APP states, under instructions of the IO, that the compromise between the complainant and the petitioner herein is indeed genuine and this court may proceed accordingly.

5. In the aforesaid backdrop, heard and perused the case file.

6. The complainant is also present in Court with her counsel.

7. The complainant is a well educated lady and serving as a Pilot in Air India. She is fully conscious of her rights and capable of taking decisions.

8. On a query put to her, she candidly submits that she has arrived at a settlement on her own volition to move on in life and live peacefully. There has been no coercion or duress of any kind on her to enter into the compromise.

9. She submits that certain misunderstanding led to the invocation of the harsh offences attracting Sections 354A, 354D and 509 of IPC and subsequently, realizing the adverse consequences thereof, it has been mutually decided to sort out the differences and thus the compromise.

10. 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.

11. Accordingly, the instant petition is allowed. FIR No. 280/2021 dated



04.06.2021, lodged at Police Station Amar Colony, and all other consequential proceedings for offences under Sections 354A, 354D and 509 of IPC, against the petitioner is hereby quashed.

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

ARUN MONGA, J

AUGUST 19, 2025

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