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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
+ CRL.M.C. 5556/2025 and CRL.M.A. 23778/2025 & CRL.M.A. 23779/2025

MAYUR ANAND & ORS.

.....Petitioners

Through: Ms.Mukti Bodh, Advocate alongwith
petitioner in person.

versus

STATE OF THE NCT OF DELHI & ANR.

.....Respondents

Through: Mr.Digam Singh Dagar, APP with SI
Robin Khatana, PS Moti Nagar
Mr.Bhopal Singh, Advocate for
Complainant/R-2 alongwith R-2 in
person.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

ORDER

% **13.08.2025**

Crl.M.A. No. 23779/2025 (Exemption)

Allowed, subject to all just exceptions.

The application stands disposed of.

Crl.M.C. 5556/2025 and Crl.M.A. No. 23778/2025.

1. Petitioners herein seek quashing of an FIR No. 496/2014 dated 05.06.2014, for the alleged offences under Sections 34, 406, 498A of IPC, registered at P.S. Moti Nagar, Delhi, along with all the consequential proceedings arising therefrom, on the basis of a compromise between the parties.
2. At the relevant time, dispute arose out of matrimonial discord between petitioner (husband) and respondent no.2/complainant(wife).The parties were married on 05.12.2012 according to Hindu rites and customs. No child is born from the wedlock. However, the couple started living



separately since 24.10.2013.

3. Petitioner no.1 is the husband, Petitioner no.2 is the brother-in-law and Petitioner no.3 is the mother-in-law of respondent no.2, all of whom allegedly demanded dowry and subjected the complainant to physical assault and harassment.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submit that the parties have now amicably settled the matter *vide* MOU/ Compromise Deed dated 25.01.2024.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioners further submits that pursuant to the settlement, the marriage between the petitioner no.1 and respondent no.2 has already been dissolved by a decree of divorce dated 16.03.2024, granted by the learned Family Court under Section 13(B)(2) of the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955, by way of mutual consent.

6. Learned Counsel for the petitioners further submits that per the terms of the MoU, Petitioner No.1 has already paid Rs.1,25,000/- to Respondent No. 2 at the time of divorce proceedings and the balance amount Rs.1,25,000/- was to be paid to Respondent No.2 by Petitioner No.1 at the time of giving quashing of the FIR in question.

7. In the aforesaid backdrop, I have heard the learned counsels for the parties and perused the case file.

8. The parties are present in the Court, and I have interacted with them. On a Court query put to the complainant, she candidly submits that she has arrived at mutual settlement on her own volition without any duress or coercion. She further submits that in view of the amicable settlement, she does not wish to pursue any proceedings against the petitioners.

9. Having interacted with the complainant and noting that she does not wish to press charges against the petitioners, and considering that the dispute



is entirely private and arose out of matrimonial differences, continuation of the criminal proceedings would serve no meaningful purpose. Such continuation would amount to an abuse of the process of law, impose an unnecessary burden on the judicial system, and may even rekindle hostility between the parties. Quashing the proceedings would also promote harmony and fulfilling the very objective of resolving such disputes amicably. Reference may be had to Supreme Court in ***Gian Singh v. State of Punjab & Anr. [(2012) 10 SCC 303]***.

10. In the premise, in the larger interest of justice, and in exercise of the inherent powers vested in this Court, it is deemed expedient to quash the FIR in question arising out of matrimonial dispute between the private parties.

11. Consequently, the instant petition is allowed. The criminal proceedings arising out of FIR No. 496/2014 dated 05.06.2014, for the alleged offences under Sections 34, 406, 498A of IPC, registered at P.S. Moti Nagar, Delhi, along with all further proceedings arising therefrom, are hereby quashed.

12. All pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

ARUN MONGA, J

AUGUST 13, 2025/sv