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

+ CRL.M.C. 6486/2025 and CRL.M.A. 27360/2025

BHAVUK TANEJA ORS

.....Petitioners

Through: Mr. Manoj Kumar, Advocate with
petitioner in person.

versus

STATE (G.N.C.T DELHI) AND ANR

.....Respondents

Through: Mr. Sanjeev Sabharwal, APP for the
State with SI Anjali, PS – Kalkaji.
Mr. Arun Baali and Ms. Arisha
Ahmad, Advocates for respondent
no.2 with respondent no. 2 in person.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

ORDER

12.09.2025

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1. Petitioners herein seek quashing of an FIR No. 701/2022 dated 25.11.2022 for the alleged offences punishable under Sections 498A, 406, 34 IPC, registered at Police Station Kalkaji, along with any consequential proceedings arising therefrom, on the basis of a compromise between the parties.
2. Dispute arose out of matrimonial discord between petitioner no.1 (husband) and respondent no. 2 (wife). The couple got married on 24.11.2012 according to Sikh rites and customs. No child is born from the



wedlock. Petitioner no. 2 is the brother and Petitioner no. 3 is mother of the Petitioner no.1.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the parties have now amicably settled their dispute *vide* Settlement Deed dated 25.09.2024, duly signed by both parties before the learned Family Court, Saket.

3.1 He further submits that pursuant to the settlement, marriage between the petitioner No.1 and respondent no.2 has already been dissolved by a decree dated 04.06.2025.

3.2 Learned counsel also submits that, keeping in view that the parties have amicably settled their disputes and differences arising from their matrimonial relationship, further continuation of proceedings would be a futile exercise.

4. Learned APP for the State, under instructions concur with the factum of compromise between the parties and same has been duly verified, he informs.

5. In the aforesaid backdrop, I have heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and respondent no.2, as well as perused the material available on record.

6. The parties are present in Court, and I have interacted with them. Upon a query put to respondent No. 2, she candidly submits that she has amicably resolved her differences with her husband and has entered into the settlement out of her own free will, without any pressure, coercion, or undue influence. She further states that pursuant to the settlement, the petitioner no.1 has complied with the terms of the settlement to her satisfaction and nothing remains payable to her. She also states that in view of the



settlement, she does not wish to continue with the proceedings against the petitioners.

7. Having heard, the dispute seems to be an entirely a family matter not involving either any public interest or societal interest, it would thus be an exercise in futility to continue with the further criminal proceedings as the same would be nothing but an abuse of process of law, apart from the heavy burden on the judicial system as well as wasteful expenditure of the public by the prosecution.

8. In the premise, taking a wholesome view and in order to let the parties entire mutual cordiality and the family bonhomie which will go long way to establish peace rather than promote hostility in case further proceedings continue, this is a fit case for invoking inherent powers vested with this Court under Section 528 of BNSS, 2023 (erstwhile Section 482 Cr.P.C.), and it is deemed expedient to quash the FIR in question. Reference in this context may be had to judgment rendered in the case of ***Gian Singh Vs. State of Punjab & Anr. [(2012) 10 SCC 303]***.

9. Consequently, the instant petition is allowed. The criminal proceedings arising out of FIR No. 701/2022 dated 25.11.2022 for the alleged offences punishable under Sections 498A, 406, 34 IPC, registered at Police Station Kalkaji, along with all consequential proceedings arising therefrom, are hereby quashed.

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

ARUN MONGA, J

SEPTEMBER 12, 2025

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