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* IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI

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Date of decision: 20.12.2025

+ CRL.M.C. 6540/2025 & CRL.M.A. 27538/2025 EXEMPTION,
CRL.M.A. 27539/2025 EXEMPTION

NAVNEET KUMAR & ANR

.....Petitioners

Through: Mr. Sanjay Padam Jain,
Advocates with petitioners
through VC.

versus

STATE (NCT OF DELHI) & ANR.

... Respondents

Through: Mr. Satinder Singh Bawa, APP
with SI Amit, PS Cyber, SI
Jitender Kumar, PS-Nangloi.
Respondent No. 2 through VC.**CORAM:-****HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAVINDER DUDEJA****JUDGMENT(ORAL)****RAVINDER DUDEJA, J.**

1. This is a petition under Section 528 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, seeking quashing of FIR No. 158/2019, dated 27.03.2019, registered at P.S Nangloi, Delhi under Sections 406/420/464/467/468/471/120B/34 IPC and all proceedings emanating therefrom on the basis of settlement between the parties.

2. The factual matrix giving rise to the instant case is that the complainant/respondent no.2 was induced by the accused persons, directors and associates of M/s Next Style Corporation Pvt. Ltd., to



invest Rs. 52,00,000/- in their solar project on the false assurance of high returns. The accused executed an MOU and showed forged project documents and fabricated bank statements to the complainant and issued post-dated cheques which were dishonoured due to signature mismatch. It was later discovered that the project was non-existent, the documents were forged, and the invested money was siphoned off to various beneficiaries in criminal conspiracy. FIR No. 158/2019 under Section 406/420/464/467/468/471/120B/34 IPC was registered at the instance of respondent No.2. Subsequently Chargesheet was filed.

3. It has been submitted that parties have now amicably resolved their disputes and the terms of settlement were written in the form of Memorandum of Understanding dated 18.12.2025. It is submitted that the petitioners has paid the entire settlement amount of Rs. 6,00,000/- (Rs. Six Lacs Only) to respondent No.2 as per the terms of the settlement. Copy of the Settlement Agreement dated 18.12.2025 has been annexed along with the digital record.

4. Parties have entered their appearance through VC. They have been identified by their respective counsels as well as by the Investigating Officer SI Amit, from PS Cyber and SI Jitender Kumar, PS-Nangloi.

5. Respondent No. 2 states that the main accused, namely, Bharat Bhushan, has since committed suicide and he has amicably settled all disputes with the petitioners herein without any force, fear or coercion



and therefore, has no objection if the FIR No. 158/2019 is quashed qua the Petitioners.

6. In view of the settlement between the parties, learned Additional PP appearing for the State, also has no objection if the present FIR No. 158/2019 is quashed.

7. In *Gian Singh vs State of Punjab (2012) 10 SCC 303*, Hon'ble Supreme Court has recognized the need of amicable resolution of disputes by observing as under:-

"61. In other words, the High Court must consider whether it would be unfair or contrary to the interest of justice to continue with the criminal proceedings or continuation of criminal proceedings would tantamount to abuse of process of law despite settlement and compromise between the victim and the wrongdoer and whether to secure the ends of justice, it is appropriate that criminal case is put to an end and if the answer to the above question(s) is in the affirmative, the High Court shall be well within its jurisdiction to quash the criminal proceedings."

8. Further, it is settled that the inherent powers under section 482 of the Code are required to be exercised to secure the ends of justice or to prevent abuse of the process of any court. Further, the High Court can quash non-compoundable offences after considering the nature of the offence and the amicable settlement between the concerned parties. Reliance may be placed upon *B.S. Joshi v. State of Haryana, (2003) 4 SCC 675*.



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9. In view of the above facts that the parties have amicably resolved their differences out of their own free will and without any coercion. It would be in the interest of justice, to quash the abovementioned FIR and the proceedings pursuant thereto.

10. In the interest of justice, the petition is allowed, and the FIR No. 158/2019, dated 27.03.2019, registered at P.S Nangloi, Delhi under Sections 406/420/464/467/468/471/120B/34 IPC and all the other consequential proceeding emanating therefrom is hereby quashed, subject to petitioners depositing cost of Rs. 20,000/- each with Delhi Legal Services Authority, within a period of one month.

11. Petition is allowed and disposed of accordingly.

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

RAVINDER DUDEJA, J

December 20, 2025

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