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

+ CRL.M.C. 7744/2025

AKASH JOSHI & ORS.

.....Petitioners

Through: Mr. Vijay Sehgal, Adv.

versus

STATE GOVT. OF NCT OF DELHI AND ANR.Respondents

Through: Mr. Ajay Vikram Singh, APP for
State with SI Ritvij and ASI Kailash,
PS. Hari Nagar.

Mr. Rohit Kumar, Mr. Prateek
Chauhan and Mr. Shajat Khatania,
Advs. for R-2.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS MAHAJAN

ORDER

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04.11.2025

1. The present petition has been filed under Section 482 CrPC seeking quashing of FIR No.446/2022 under Sections 498A/406/34 IPC registered at Police Station Hari Nagar and all consequential proceedings emanating therefrom on the ground that the parties have arrived at a settlement.
2. Issue notice. Mr. Ajay Vikram Singh, learned APP for the State accepts notice. He submits that since the FIR is an outcome of a matrimonial dispute and the parties have arrived at a settlement, the State has no objection in case the FIR in question is quashed.
3. The petitioner no.1 (former husband), as well as, respondent no. 2 (former wife), who is present in Court, have been identified by their respective counsel, as well as, by the Investigating Officer SI Ritvij and ASI Kailash, PS. Hari Nagar.



4. The brief facts of the case are that the marriage between the petitioner no.1 and respondent no. 2 was solemnized on 21.02.2021 according to Hindu Rites and Customs. No child was born out of the said wedlock.
5. On account of temperamental issues certain disputes arose between the parties and they started living separately w.e.f. 13.07.2021. The dispute between the parties also led to the registration of present FIR bearing no. 446/2022.
6. During the pendency of the proceedings, the parties have referred to Delhi Mediation Centre, Tis Hazari Court, Delhi where they arrived at a settlement, terms whereof were reduced in writing in the form of Settlement dated 14.05.2025, which is annexed as Annexure C to the present petition.
7. In terms of the said settlement, the parties decided to dissolve their marriage by filing a petition for divorce by way of mutual consent. Accordingly, the petitioner no.1 and respondent no.2 have obtained a decree of divorce dated 16.09.2025, which is annexed as Annexure C (pdf page no.94) to the present petition.
8. It is a term of the settlement between the parties that the petitioner no.1 shall pay a total sum of Rs.5.65 lacs to the respondent no.2 towards full and final settlement of all her claims on account of *streedhan*, permanent alimony, dowry articles, maintenance (past, present and future) etc. Out of the said amount, a sum of Rs. 4 lacs has already been paid by the petitioner no.1 to the respondent no.2 in the manner as mentioned in the settlement. The remaining amount of Rs.1.65 lacs has been paid to the respondent no.2 today in the court by the petitioner no.1 by way of Demand Draft bearing



No.500132 dated 03.11.2025 issued by ICICI Bank, Jail Road, Hari Nagar.

9. The receipt of entire amount of Rs.5.65 lacs is acknowledged by the respondent no.2, who is present in Court.

10. The respondent no.2, on a query posed by the Court, states that she has no objection in case the said FIR is quashed.

11. In view of the fact that the parties have arrived at a settlement, no useful purpose will be served in continuing the proceedings, rather the same would create further acrimony between them.

12. It is, thus, in the interest of justice that the present FIR and all the other proceedings emanating therefrom be quashed.

13. Consequently, the petition is allowed and the FIR No.446/2022 under Sections 498A/406/34 IPC registered at Police Station Hari Nagar alongwith all other proceedings emanating therefrom, is quashed.

14. The petition stands disposed of in the above terms.

15. Order be uploaded on the website of this Court.

VIKAS MAHAJAN, J

NOVEMBER 4, 2025/dss