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

+ **W.P.(CRL) 4035/2025**

AMAL KRISHNAN M AND ORS

.....Petitioners

Through: Mr. Saurabh Bharagavan, Mr. Nikhil
S. Nair, Mr. Saatvik K. Harita and
Mr. Chintu Saurabh, Advs. with
petitioners (through VC)

versus

THE STATE GOVT OF NCT OF DELHI & ANR.....Respondents

Through: Mr. Sanjay Lao, SC for State with SI
Sonia PS Defence Colony.
R-2 (through VC)

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS MAHAJAN

ORDER

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05.12.2025

CRL.M.A. 36239/2025 & CRL.M.A. 36240/2025 (exemptions)

1. Allowed, subject to all just exceptions.
2. Applications stand disposed of.

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3. The present petition has been filed under Section 528 of BNSS seeking quashing of FIR No. 167/2023, under Sections 498A/406/34 IPC registered at PS Defence Colony, South District, New Delhi.
4. Issue notice. Mr. Sanjay Lao, learned SC for the State accepts notice.
5. Petitioner no.1 (former husband), alongwith his parents have joined through VC. Likewise, respondent no.2 has also joined through VC. The



parties have been identified by learned counsel for the petitioner, as well as, by Investigating Officer SI Sonia PS Defence Colony.

6. Mr. Lao points out that in the FIR three persons have been arraigned as an accused i.e. the petitioner herein, as well as, his parents. The parents have though not been impleaded as petitioners, however, they have joined through VC.

7. The brief facts of the case are that the marriage between petitioner no.1 and respondent no. 2 was solemnized on 23.08.2018 according to Hindu Rites and Customs.

8. On account of temperamental issues, certain disputes arose between the parties and the respondent no.2 started living separately since 26.06.2022. The dispute also led to the registration of the present FIR.

9. During pendency of the proceedings the parties have arrived at a settlement.

10. 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, petitioner no.1 and respondent no.2 have obtained decree of divorce dated 19.08.2025.

11. In terms of the said settlement, the petitioner no.1 agreed to pay total sum of Rs.4,75,000/- 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. The entire amount of Rs.4,75,000/- has already been paid, by petitioner no.1 to respondent no.2.

12. The receipt of entire amount of Rs.4,75,000/- is acknowledged by respondent no.2, who is present in court.



13. On a query posed by the Court, respondent no.2 states that she does not wish to prosecute criminal proceedings any further and has no objection in case the FIR is quashed.
14. 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.
15. It is, thus, in the interest of justice that the present FIR and all the other proceedings emanating therefrom be quashed.
16. Consequently, the petition is allowed and the FIR No. 167/2023, under Sections 498A/406/34 IPC registered at PS Defence Colony, South District, New Delhi alongwith all other proceedings emanating therefrom, is quashed.
17. The petition stands disposed of in the above terms.
18. Order be uploaded on the website of this court.

VIKAS MAHAJAN, J

DECEMBER 5, 2025

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