



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
NAGPUR BENCH, NAGPUR

CRIMINAL APPLICATION (APL) NO. 905/2025

Sau. Sarita w/o. Mangeshsingh Dange and Anr.

Vs.

State of Maharashtra and Ors.

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Office Notes, Office Memoranda of
Coram, appearances, Court's orders
or directions and Registrar's orders
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Court's or Judge's order

Mr. S. N. Muley, Advocate for Applicants.

Mr. A. M. Joshi, A.P.P. for Non-applicant/State.

Mr. P. V. Ghare, Advocate for Non-applicant No.3.

CORAM : MRS. VRUSHALI V. JOSHI, J.

DATED : 23.04.2026

1. The applicants have filed this application to quash and set aside the Charge-sheet arising out of the First Information Report bearing No.273/2011 for the offences punishable under Sections 406, 420, 468, 471 of the Indian Penal Code.

2. On the complaint lodged by the Bank, the crime is registered against these applicants. The allegations about forgery are made. Though the offence was registered in the year 2011 and the charge-sheet was filed in the year 2012, the matter has been settled between the parties namely, the Bank and the applicants. The applicants have paid the entire loan amount Rs.18,00,000/- under One Time Settlement (OTS) Scheme. Consequently, the Bank has issued N.O.C., which is filed on record stating that, it has no objection to quash and set aside the First Information Report bearing No.273/2011.

3. Learned Counsel for the complainant is present before the Court. He stated that, the Bank has received the

entire loan amount under the O.T.S. Scheme and has no objection, if the First Information Report is quashed.

4. Learned A.P.P. opposed the application stating that, the offence of forgery is registered against these applicants and as per the handwriting expert's report, the handwriting is not of the person, who has sanctioned the loan. As the matter is settled between the parties and the applicants have paid the entire loan amount, the chances of conviction are bleak. The alleged offence cannot be termed as heinous or anti-social.

5. Hence, the application is allowed.

6. The Charge-sheet in R.C.C.No.189/2012 arising out of the First Information Report bearing No.273/2011 for the offences punishable under Sections 406, 420, 468, 471 of the Indian Penal Code is hereby quashed and set aside against the applicants only subject to depositing costs of Rs.50,000/- with the Public Welfare Account maintained with Union Bank of India, High Court Branch, Civil Lines, Nagpur bearing Account No.129712010001014 and IFSC Code UBIN0812978 within a period of four weeks and producing the receipt thereof on record within two weeks thereafter.

7. The application stands disposed of accordingly.

(MRS.VRUSHALI V. JOSHI, J.)