



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

CRIMINAL APPLICATION APL NO.1277/2025

Bhushan Sadashiv lakhekar and ors

..VS..

The State of Mah. and anr

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

Court's or Judge's Order

Shri G.K.Bhusari, Counsel for the Applicants.
Shri Nikhil Joshi, APP for the State.
Ms Sonali Khobragade, Counsel for NA No.2.

CORAM : URMILA JOSHI-PHALKE, J.

DATE : 27/02/2026

1. This is an application for quashing of the FIR.
2. During the pendency of the application, the parties have arrived at a settlement.
3. The Hon'ble Apex Court in the case of **Gian Singh Vs. State of Punjab and anr, reported in (2002) 10 SCC 303** observed that, "where High Court quashes a criminal proceeding having regard to the fact that dispute between the offender and victim has been settled although offences are not compoundable, it does so as in its opinion, continuation of criminal proceedings will be an exercise in futility and justice in the case demands that the dispute between the parties is put to an end and peace is restored; securing the ends of justice being the ultimate guiding factor.

In this regard, a specific reference was made to offences arising out of the matrimony particularly relating to dowry etc. or family dispute where the wrong is basically to victim and the offender and victim have settled all disputes between them amicably, irrespective of the fact that such offences have not been made compoundable."

4. In view of the observations of the Hon'ble Apex Court, the application can be allowed.

5. Learned counsel for the applicants submits that the applicant No.1 is carpenter by profession and he has already incurred the expenses by paying the lumpsum amount and, therefore, the costs not to be imposed.

6. Considering the said submissions, exception is made out by not imposing the costs.

7. In view of that, I proceed to pass following order:

ORDER

(1) The criminal application is **allowed**.

(2) FIR in connection with Crime No.80/2020 registered with the non-applicant No.1 police station for offences under Sections 498-A, 323, 504, and 506 read with 34 of the IPC and consequent proceeding arising out of the same bearing chargesheet No.515/2020 are hereby quashed and set aside to the extent of the applicants.

(3) Fees of learned counsel appointed for non-applicant No.2 be quantified and the same be paid to her as per Rules.

Application stands disposed of.

(URMILA JOSHI-PHALKE, J.)

!! BrWankhede !!