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CRL.P No. 11103 of 2023

CNR: KAHC010547712023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 4TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 11103 OF 2023

BETWEEN:

1. DEVARAJA M
   S/O LATE MUNIVENKATAPPA
   AGED ABOUT 45 YEARS
   R/AT WARD NO.8, KANNAMPALLI
   CHINTAMANI TOWN
   CHICKABALLAPURA
   DISTRICT - 563 125.

2. KANCHANA
   W/O DEVARAJA M
   AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS
   R/AT WARD NO.8, KANNAMPALLI
   CHINTAMANI TOWN
   CHICKABALLAPURA DISTRICT - 563 125.

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI HARISH N.K, ADV)

AND:

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Location: HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
   THROUGH CHINTAMANI RURAL POLICE
   CHICKBALLAPURA DISTRICT
   REP. SPP BENGALURU - 01.

2. DEVARAJA
   S/O NARAYANAPPA
   AGED ABOUT 48 YERS
   R/AT VIRUPAKSHAPURA VILLAGE
   PRESENT @ KANNAMPALLI
   CHINTAMANI TALUK
   CHICKBALLAPURA DISTRICT - 563 125.

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI RAHUL RAI K, HCGP FRO R-1;
SRI BYRE REDDY, ADV., FOR R-2)

THIS CRL.P IS FILED U/S.482 CR.P.C PRAYING TO QUASH THE ENTIRE PROCEEDINGS IN C.C.NO.894/2023 ON THE FILE OF THE ADDITIONAL CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC AT CHINTAMANI FOR THE OFFENCE P/U/S.323, 324, 354, 504, 506 R/W SEC.34 OF IPC. THE COPY OF ENTIRE ORDER SHEET IS PRODUCED HEREWITH AND MARKED AS ANNEXURE A.

THIS PETITION, COMING ON FOR ORDERS, THIS DAY, ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY

ORAL ORDER

Accused Nos.1 and 2 are before this Court in this petition filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (hereinafter referred to as 'Cr.P.C' for short) with a prayer to quash the entire proceedings in C.C.No.894/2023 pending before the Court of the Additional Civil Judge and JMFC, Chintamani arising out of Crime No.256/2022 registered by Chintamani Rural Police Station, Chickballapura for the offences punishable under Section 323, 324, 354, 504, 506 and 34 of IPC, 1860.

2. Heard the learned counsel for the parties.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners and learned counsel for respondent No.2 jointly submit that the dispute between the parties, who are close relatives, has been amicably

settled with the intervention of the elders and well-wishers of both the parties. The parties have today filed an application I.A.No.1/2026 before this Court seeking permission to compound the offences for which the petitioners have been charge sheeted.

4. The parties, who are present in person before this Court are identified by their respective learned advocates. The application filed by the parties seeking permission of this Court to compound the offences for which the petitioners have been charge sheeted is supported by the joint affidavit of both the parties.

5. The said application and the joint affidavit filed by the parties are taken on record.

6. It is brought to the notice of this Court that the settlement arrived between the parties is voluntary, without there being any undue influence or coercion.

7. Considering the nature of allegations found in the charge sheet and also the settlement arrived between the parties, who are close relatives, I am of the opinion that the prayer made in the application filed by the parties to this

petition to permit them to compound the offences for which the petitioners have been charge sheeted needs to be granted and consequently, the petition needs to be allowed. Accordingly, the following:

ORDER

i) The application I.A.No.1/2026 filed by the parties today before this Court under Section 482 of Cr.P.C read with Section 359 of BNSS, 2023 seeking permission of this Court for compounding the offences for which the petitioners have been charge sheeted is ***allowed***. Consequently, the parties are permitted to compound the offences for which petitioners have been charge sheeted. Resultantly, the criminal petition is ***allowed.***

ii) The entire proceedings in C.C.No.894/2023 pending before the Court of the Additional Civil Judge and JMFC, Chintamani arising out of Crime No.256/2022 registered by Chintamani Rural Police Station, Chickballapura for the offences punishable under Section 323, 324, 354, 504, 506 and 34 of

IPC, 1860, is hereby quashed against the petitioners herein.

Sd/-
(S VISHWAJITH SHETTY)
JUDGE

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List No.: 2 Sl No.: 10