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CRL.P No. 10732 of 2024

CNR: KAHC010587032024

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 13TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH RAI K

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 10732 OF 2024

BETWEEN:

1. ARUN RAJ
S/O DR. DHARMARAJ ACHARYA,
AGED ABOUT 34 YEARS,
RESIDING AT A 208, ANU APARTMENT,
NEAR HOPE FARM METRO/CIRCLE,
WHITEFIELD, BANGALORE - 560 066.

2. DR. DHARMARAJ ACHARYA,
S/O LATE CHIKKANAIAH ACHARYA
AGED ABOUT 73 YEARS,
RESIDING AT A 208, ANU APARTMENT,
NEAR HOPE FARM METRO/CIRCLE,
WHITEFIELD, BANGALORE - 560 066.

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3. PUSHPA DHARMARAJ
W/O DR. DHARMARAJ,
AGED ABOUT 61 YEARS,
RESIDING AT A 208, ANU APARTMENT,
NEAR HOPE FARM METRO/CIRCLE,
WHITEFIELD, BANGALORE - 560 066.

4. DR. NISHA,
D/O DR. DHARMARAJ ACHARYA,
W/O DR. GANESH
AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS,
FLAT NO. 204, PRIME REGENCY APARTMENT,
4TH CROSS, B CHANNASANDRA,
BANGALORE - 560 043.

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI. V.S. ANANDA, ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
THROUGH THE PSI, KADUGODI PS,
BANGALORE - 560 067.

2. SAHANA R
W/O ARUN RAJ
C/O RACHACHARI
NO. 1943, GEETHA MANDIRA BADAVANE,
MAGADI ROAD, IJOOR,
RAMANAGARA - 562 159, KARNATAKA.

…RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. MAHESHA P, HCGP FOR R1;
SMT. SAVITHA, ADVOCATE FOR R2)

THIS CRL.P IS FILED U/S 482 OF CR.PC (FILED U/S 528 BNNS) PRAYING TO QUASH THE FIR IN CR.NO.108/2024 OF THE KADUGODI P.S. BENGALURU SO FAR AS THE ACCUSED NO.1 TO 4/ PETITIONERS HEREIN ARE CONCERNED FOR THE ALLEGED OFFENCE P/U/S 498A, 323, 504, 34 OF IPC AND SEC.4 OF D.P ACT.

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH RAI K

ORAL ORDER

Learned counsel for the petitioners has filed a memo stating that petitioner No.1/accused No.1 faced trial in C.C.No.195/2025 before the learned I Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bengaluru Rural District, Bengaluru,

for the offences punishable under Sections 498A, 323, and 504 read with Section 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860, and Section 4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961, and has been acquitted vide judgment dated 30.10.2026. Consequently, the petition insofar as it relates to petitioner No. 1 has become infructuous and is accordingly dismissed as not pressed.

2. With respect to petitioners Nos.2 to 4 (accused Nos.2 to 4), it is placed on record that the learned Magistrate, directed the Investigating Officer to file a split-up charge sheet against them, pursuant to which a separate case in C.C. No.12095/2026 has been registered arising out of the Crime No.108/2024. Learned counsel for the petitioners and learned counsel for respondent No.2 jointly submit that the parties have amicably settled their dispute and pray that the proceedings pending against petitioners Nos.2 to 4 be quashed. Although the primary offences alleged in the complaint and charge sheet are

non-compoundable in nature, the dispute between the parties is purely private and matrimonial. Placing reliance on the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in ***Gian Singh v. State of Punjab and Another*****,** reported in **(2012) 10 SCC 303**, proceedings in C.C. No. 12095/2026 (arising out of Crime No. 108/2024), pending on the file of the learned I Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bengaluru Rural District, Bengaluru, insofar as they relate to petitioners No. 2 to 4, are hereby quashed.

SD/-
(RAJESH RAI K)
JUDGE

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