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CRL.P No. 13725 of 2026
CNR: KAHC010609842026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 6TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANANT RAMANATH HEGDE

CRIMINAL PETITION NO.13725 OF 2026
[482(Cr.P.C) / 528(BNSS)]

BETWEEN:

SMT. ANULEKHA N.
W/O SRI SACHIN KURDEKAR,
AGED ABOUT 34 YEARS,
NO.254, 1ST FLOOR,
HMT LAYOUT, 6TH CROSS,
16TH MAIN, MATTIKERE,
BENGALURU - 560 054.

...PETITIONER

(BY SMT. MANJULA MUNAVALLI, ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
BY YESHWANTHAPURA POLICE STATION,
BENGALURU CITY,
REPRESENTED BY
THE STATE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA,
BENGALURU - 560 001.

2. SRI SACHIN KURDEKAR
S/O NARAYAN KURDEKAR,
AGED ABOUT 32 YEARS,
RESIDING AT: NO.738, SAI SHARAN,
2ND FLOOR, VIKRAMNAGAR,
KUMARASWAMY LAYOUT,
BENGALURU - 560 078.

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3. SMT. SHOBHA KURDEKAR
W/O NARAYAN KURDEKAR,
AGED ABOUT 55 YEARS,
RESIDING AT NO.738,
SAI SHARAN, 2ND FLOOR,
VIKRAMNAGAR, KUMARASWAMY LAYOUT,
BENGALURU - 560 078.

…RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI M.V. ANOOP KUMAR, ADDITIONAL STATE PUBLIC PROSEUCTOR, FOR R-1)

THIS CRIMINAL PETITION IS FILED UNDER SECTION 528 OF THE BHARATIYA NAGARIK SURAKSHA SANHITA, 2023, PRAYING TO ALLOW THE PRESENT CRIMINAL PETITION. AND EXERCISE THE INHERENT JURISDICTION OF THIS HON'BLE COURT UNDER SECTION 528 OF THE BHARATIYA NAGARIK SURAKSHA SANHITA, 2023, AND QUASH THE ENTIRE PROCEEDINGS IN SPECIAL CASE NO.1260 OF 2026 PENDING BEFORE THE LEARNED LXX ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE, BENGALURU, UNDER SECTIONS 85, 115(2), 351(3) AND 352 READ WITH SECTION 3(5) OF THE BHARATIYA NYAYA SANHITA, 2023, AND UNDER SECTION 3(2)(VA) OF THE SCST (POA) AMENDMENT ORDINANCE, 2014 ALONG WITH SECTIONS 3 AND 4 OF THE D.P. ACT, 1961, ARISING OUT OF CRIME NO.64 OF 2026 REGISTERED BY YESHWANTHAPURA POLICE STATION, INCLUDING THE CHARGE-SHEET DATED 21.05.2026, INSOFAR AS RESPONDENT NOS.2 AND 3/ACCUSED NOS.1 AND 2 ARE CONCERNED.

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANANT RAMANATH HEGDE

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ORAL ORDER

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner.

2. The petitioner and respondent No.2 are present before the Court. Respondent No.3 is the mother of respondent No.2. Respondent No.2 is accused No.1 and respondent No.3 is accused No.2.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is the *de facto* complainant and because of the matrimonial dispute, she had filed a complaint. The Police, after investigating the matter, have filed a charge-sheet.

4. It is the submission that the husband and the wife are living together and the complainant does not wish to prosecute the matter.

5. The petitioner, on inquiry, submits that she has no intention to prosecute her husband and the mother-in-law.

6. Since the matrimonial dispute is resolved and the parties have reconciled, this Court is of the view that directing the prosecution against the husband and the mother-in-law of

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the *de facto* complainant will jeopardise the matrimonial relationship. Accordingly, the petition is ***allowed***. The proceeding in Special Case No.1260/2026 pending before the learned LXX Additional City Civil and Sessions Judge, Bengaluru, is quashed.

In view of the disposal of the petition, pending interlocutory applications, if any, shall stand dismissed.

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(ANANT RAMANATH HEGDE)
JUDGE

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