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CRL.P No. 13688 of 2026
CNR: KAHC010615632026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 11TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANANT RAMANATH HEGDE

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 13688 OF 2026

BETWEEN:

1. SRI. VASANTH KUMAR. M. L.
S/O LATE LAKSHMANIAH,
AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS
R/AT KURUBARA MALEHALLI,
TIPTUR TAUK, NANAYANKERE HOBLI,
NAGARAGATTA POST, TUMKUR DISTRICT.
TUMKUR -572224.

2. SRI. T G. RAVEESH,
S/O GIRIYAPPA,
AGED ABOUT 45 YEARS,
R/AT THIPPANAHALLI,
SAKARAYAPATTANA (HOB),
KADURU(TQ), CHIKKAMANGALURU (DIST),
CHIKKAMANGALURU-577548.

3. SRI SHIVASHANKAR,
C/O SHIVANNA,
AGED ABOUT 50 YEARS,
R/AT VADERAHALLI, SETTIKERE,
TUMKUR (DIST), TUMKURU-572226.

4. SRI. JAYASHANKAR,
S/O JAI KUMAR,
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS,
R/AT THIPPANAHALLI VILLAGE NIDAGATTA,
CHIKKAMAGALUR (DIST),
CHIKKAMAGALUR -631102.

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5. SRI. BASAVARAJU
S/O GOVINDARAJU,
AGED ABOUT 40 YEARS,
R/AT BALENAHALLI, LAKKAMMANAHALLI (PO),
CHIKKAMAGALURU (DIST).
CHIKKAMANAGLURU-577548.

…PETITIONERS

(BY SRI SHIVASHANKARA N S,ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. STATE BY RAJAGOPALA NAGAR P.S,
REP BY SPP,
HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA,
BANGLORE-560001.

2. SMT.KAVITHA,
W/O THIMAPPA,
AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS,
THIPPANAHALLI, SAKARAYAPATTANA (HOB),
KADURU(TQ), CHIKKAMANGALURU (DIST),
CHIKKAMAGALURU - 577548.

…RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI NAGHARISH G S, HCGP FOR R1,
SRI SANJAY P C, ADVOCATE FOR R2)

THIS CRL.P IS FILED U/S 482 CR.PC (FILED U/S 528 BNNS) BY THE ADVOCATE FOR THE PETITIONER PRAYING THAT THIS HONOURABLE COURT MAY BE PLEASED TO QUASH THE ENTIRE PROCEEDINGS IN CC.NO.6743/2016 PENDING BEFORE THE LEARNED 31 ADDL. CJM, AT BENGALURU, ARISING OUT OF CRIME NO.499/2014 STATED BY RAJGOPALA NAGAR POLICE STATION FOR THE OFFENCES P/U/S 143, 147, 363, 366 R/W SEC.34 OF THE IPC, 1860, IN VIEW OF THE AMICABLE SETTLEMENT/ COMPROMISE ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE PETITIONER AND RESPONDENT NO.2/ COMPLAINANT, AND CONSEQUENTLY ACQUIT / DISCHARGE THE PETITIONER FROM THE SAID PROCEEDINGS.

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

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CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANANT RAMANATH HEGDE

ORAL ORDER

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioners, learned High Court Government Pleader for respondent No.1- State as well as the learned counsel for respondent No.2.

2. Petitioners No.1 and 3 are present before the Court. Remaining petitioners are said to be in custody.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioners and the learned counsel appearing for respondent No.2 jointly submit that the dispute is amicably settled and they have filed an application under Section 359 read with Section 528 of Bharathiya Nagarika Suraksha Sanhita, 2023. The application is also supported by a joint affidavit of petitioners No.1 and 3 and respondent No.2.

4. The petition is filed to quash the proceedings in C.C.No.6743/2016 pending before XXXI Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bengaluru arising from Crime No. 499/2014 registered by Rajagopalanagar Police Station, Bengaluru for the

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offences under Sections 143, 147, 363, 366 read with Section 34 of Indian Penal Code, 1860.

5. The Court has perused the joint application filed by the petitioners and respondent No.2 and also the contents of the charge sheet.

6. It is stated that petitioner No.1 and respondent No.2 are relatives. The alleged incident has taken place on 23.09.2014. The allegation is respondent No.2 was kidnapped by the petitioners. It is alleged by the complainant that when she was being kidnapped, she shouted for help and people around encircled the car and the petitioners ran away from the place.

7. The Police have filed the charge sheet. Complainant who is present before the Court submits that she has no intention to prosecute the matter and the dispute is amicably settled.

8. It is noticed that as on the date of the complaint, respondent No.2 was major and there is no allegation of any physical assault or rape. It appears that the complainant was

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rescued when she was in the process of being kidnapped. Since the complainant states that she has no intention to prosecute the matter and it is also submitted that petitioner No.1 and respondent No.2 are relatives, the Court does not find any justification in directing trial.

9. On going through the materials on record, the Court is also of the view that without the support respondent No.2, there is hardly any chance of conviction.

10. Hence, the following:

ORDER

(i) The application and Criminal Petition is ***allowed***.

(ii) The proceedings in C.C.No.6743/2016 pending on the file of XXXI Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bengaluru arising from Crime No. 499/2014 registered by Rajagopalanagar Police Station, Bengaluru are quashed.

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(iii) Petitioners No.2, 4 and 5 who are said to be in custody shall be released.

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(ANANT RAMANATH HEGDE)
JUDGE

GVP
List No.: 2 Sl No.: 59