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CRL.P No. 14361 of 2026
CNR: KAHC010653222026

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. 14361 OF 2026

BETWEEN:

1. MANJULA @ KALLI MANJI,
AGED ABOUT 50 YEARS,
W/O. SHANKARA,
R/AT. KOODAGALLI, MEGALAKOPPALU,
NEAR RAMA MANDIRA MYSURU CITY
KARNATAKA-573211.

2. GANESHA @ GANI,
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS,
S/O. LATE RAJAPPA,
R/AT. A MEDAHALLI GRAMA,
C.D. HOSAKOTE POST,
ANEKAL HOBLI AND TALLUK,
BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT,
KARNATAKA-562 114.

3. MANJUNATH K,
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS,
S/O KRISHNAPPA,
R/AT. A MEDAHALLI GRAMA,
C.D. HOSAKOTE POST,
ANEKAL HOBLI AND TALLUK,
BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT,
KARNATAKA - 562 114.

4. CHELUVARAAYI @ CHELUVA,
AGED ABOUT 51 YEARS,
S/O CHELUVARAAYI,
R/AT. RENTED ROOM OF KEMPEGOWDA,

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MEGALA KOPPALU, NEAR RAM MANDIR,
KOODAGALLI, MYSURU CITY,
PERMANENT ADDRESS
NO. 110, NEAR WATER TANK,
GANANGOORU, SRIRANGAPATTANA TALUK,
MANDYA DISTRICT, KARNATAKA-573211.

5. RAMACHANDRA @ RAM
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS,
S/O VENKATESHAPPA,
NOW R/AT. SRINIVAS HOUSE,
WEAVERS COLONY, MARUTI NAGAR,
B.G. ROAD, BENGALURU CITY,
KARNATAKA.

…PETITIONERS

(BY SRI DHANANJAY KUMAR,ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA,
REP BY KONANAKUNTE PS,
BENGALURU CITY - 560016,
REP. BY SPP, HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA,
BENGALURU - 560 001.

2. MALA,
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS,
W/O SHANKAR,
R/AT. NC. MARUTHI LAYOUT,
NEAR ANJANEYA TEMPLE,
KOLIFARN LAYOUT, GOTTIGERE POST,
BENGALURU CITY, KARNATAKA 560 082.

…RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI NAGHARISH G S, HCGP FOR R1,
SRI ANURAJ KINI K, ADVOCATE FOR R2)

THIS CRL.P IS FILED U/S 482 CR.PC (FILED U/S 528 BNSS) BY THE ADVOCATE FOR THE PETITIONER PRAYING THAT THIS HONOURABLE COURT MAY BE PLEASED TO QUASH THE ENTIRE PROCEEDINGS IN SC.NO.266/2021 IN

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CR.NO.316/2019 REGISTERED BY THE KONANAKUNTE P.S., PENDING ON THE FILE OF THE LXIII ADDL. CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE, CCH-64, CITY CIVIL COURT, BENGALURU COURT AT BENGALURU FOR THE OFFENCES P/U/S 307, 341, 323, 114, 120(b) R/W 149 OF IPC AND SEC. 25, 1(B)(b) OF ARMS ACT.

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANANT RAMANATH HEGDE

ORAL ORDER

Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioners, the learned HCGP for respondent No.1 and the learned counsel for respondent No.2.

2. The learned counsel for the second respondent has filed vakalath and same is taken on record.

3. This petition is filed to quash the proceedings in S.C.No.266/2021 arising from Crime No.316/2019 registered by Konanakunte Police Station.

4. The case is pending before the LXIII Additional Sessions Judge, CCH-64, Bengaluru, for the offences punishable under Sections 307, 341, 323, 114, 120(b) r/w 149

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of Indian Penal Code, 1860 and Section 25(1)(b) of Arms Act, 1959.

5. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioners and the learned counsel appearing for the second respondent jointly submit that the dispute between the parties is amicably settled.

6. The parties have filed an application under Section 320 read with Section 482 of Criminal Procedure Code, 1973 seeking permission of the Court to compound the offence. The application is accompanied by affidavit.

7. Learned counsel for the petitioners would submit that the complaint is filed on 25.11.2019. The complainant states that her husband was initially married to one Manjula and has 2 children from the said marriage and said Manjula has left the company of the complainant's husband and thereafter, the complainant's husband has married the complainant.

8. It is stated that there was a family dispute between the complainant's husband and said Manjula, the first wife of

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the complainant's husband. The complaint is lodged alleging an attempt to murder the complainant's husband on 25.11.2019.

9. It is stated that the complainant's husband was proceeding in a bike and there was an attempt to kill the complainant's husband by dashing the car against the bike from the rear side and he was assaulted on his head, left ear and the victim has suffered amputation of his middle finger of the right hand.

10. The complaint is filed on the suspicion that the act is committed by the first wife of the complainant's husband and her family members. The charge sheet is filed.

11. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioners would submit that there are no eyewitnesses to the incident and the charge sheet is filed based on the complaint which was filed on the suspicion because of the rivalry between the family members of the complainant's husband and the first wife.

12. It is also submitted that a case of this nature can be compounded and quashed pursuant to the settlement as held

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by the Apex Court in the case of ***NARINDER SINGH & Ors.*** vs ***STATE OF PUNJAB & Anr.***[1].

13. Learned counsel for the petitioners has also invited the attention of the Court to paragraph No.31 of the said judgment and the conclusions of the Apex Court, more particularly, paragraphs No.vi and vii of the conclusions in the judgment.

14. The complainant is present before the Court and on enquiry by the Court would submit that she has entered into settlement and does not wish to prosecute.

15. The Court after going through the charge sheet materials and also the contents of the application is of the view that the dispute arose because of the relationship between the complainant's husband and the first wife of the complainant's husband.

16. It appears that the earlier rivalry and the family dispute resulted in the present case. It is also noticed that there are no eyewitnesses to the alleged incident and

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complainant herself is not willing to prosecute the matter. No antecedents have been pointed out against the petitioners.

17. Therefore, the Court is of the view that the chances of conviction are remote in case the trial is held. And more importantly, since the family members have come together to put an end to the dispute, the Court deems it appropriate to allow the application and to quash the proceedings.

18. Accordingly the application is allowed. The petition is ***allowed***.

19. The proceedings in S.C.No.266/2021 arising from Crime No.316/2019 pending before the LXIII Additional Sessions Judge, CCH-64, Bengaluru are quashed.

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JUDGE

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