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CRL.P No. 15376 of 2026

CNR: KAHC010691392026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 21ST DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.NAGAPRASANNA

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 15376 OF 2026

BETWEEN:

DEEPAK S.,
S/O SUBRAMANI S.V.,
AGED ABOUT 34 YEARS,
PERMANENTLY RESIDING AT
NO.24, 6TH CROSS,
NIRMUN LAYOUT,
A.SAMMANAPALLI ROAD,
NEAR SIPCOT 2, ALUR,
PERANDAPALLI,
HOSUR – 635 130.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI ANKITH S.REDDY, ADVOCATE)

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Location: High Court of Karnataka

AND:

1. THE STATE BY THE
   SOUTH WOMEN POLICE STATION.
   REPRESENTED BY THE SPP,
   HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA,
   BENGALURU.

2. MRS. NAVNITA V. HALLUR
   D/O VIVEKANANDA HALLUR,
   AGED ABOUT 35 YEARS,

PRESENTLY RESIDING AT,
FLAT NO.C 411, MAGNIFICA BLOCK,
BRIGADE GARDENIA,
NEAR CAPITOL SCHOOL ROAD,
JP NAGAR 7TH PHASE,
BENGALURU – 560 078.

…RESPONDENTS

(BY SMT.DEEPTHI ALVA, HCGP FOR R-1;
SMT.BHAVANA MURALIDHARA, ADVOCATE FOR R-2)

THIS CRL.P IS FILED U/S 482 CR.PC (FILED U/S 528 BNSS) PRAYING TO QUASH THE PROCEEDINGS IN C.C. NO. 48500/2025 PENDING BEFORE THE XXXVII ADDITIONAL CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE, BANGALORE, ARISING OUT OF CRIME NO. 0109/2025 REGISTERED BY THE SOUTH WOMEN POLICE STATION, BANGALORE, FOR THE OFFENCES PUNISHABLE UNDER SECTIONS 85 AND 115(2) OF THE BHARATIYA NYAYA SANHITA, 2023 AND SECTION 3 OF THE DOWRY PROHIBITION ACT, 1961, IN THE INTERESTS OF JUSTICE AND EQUITY, FAILING WHICH GREAT LOSS, HARDSHIP AND IRREPARABLE PREJUDICE WILL BE CAUSED TO THE PETITIONER HEREIN.

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

CORAM: **HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.NAGAPRASANNA**

ORAL ORDER

The petitioner is before this Court calling in question the proceedings in C.C.No.48500 of 2025 registered for offences punishable under Sections 85 and 115(2) of the BNS, 2023 and

Section 3 of the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961 pending before the XXXVII Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Bangalore.

2. Heard Sri. Ankith S Reddy, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner, Smt. Deepthi Alva, learned High Court Government Pleader appearing for respondent No.1 and Smt. Bhavana Muralidhara, learned counsel appearing for respondent No.2.

3. The parties to the *lis* were before the Family Court in M.C.No.5940/2025 and have settled the dispute amongst themselves before the VI Additional Principal Family Judge, Bangalore by entering into mediation settlement agreement on 27-06-2026.

4. The parties have also filed an application seeking compounding of the offences along with affidavits before this Court. It reads as follows:

"**APPLICATION UNDER SECTION 359(6) OF THE BHARTIYA NAGRIK SURAKSHA SANHITA, 2023.**

The Petitioner pray, for reasons mentioned in the accompanying affidavits, that this Hon'ble Court be pleased to compound the offences the Petitioner is

charged with as the Petitioner and the Respondent No.2 have settled their differences by entering into a settlement Agreement under Section 89 of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 read with Rules 24 and 25 of the Karnataka Civil Procedure (Mediation) Rules, 2005, in the interests of justice and equity."

The affidavits of the petitioner the and respondent No.2 read as follows:

"**AFFIDAVIT OF THE PETITIONER**

I, Deepak S, Son of Subramani S V, aged about 34 years, permanently residing at No. 24, 6th Cross, Nirmun Layout, A. Sammanapalli Road, Near Sipcot 2, Alur, Perandapalli, Hosur-635130, today at Bangalore do solemnly affirm and state on oath as follows:-

1. I am the Petitioner in the above case and I am well aware of the facts of this case.

2. I state that the accompanying application is filed under Section 359 (6) of the BNSS, 2023, seeking the permission of this Hon'ble Court to compound the offences charged against me. I submit that the dispute between the Respondent No.2 and myself are private and personal in nature, they are stemming from marital discord between us.

3. I state that the instant Petition has been filed to quash the proceedings in C.C. No. 48500/2025 pending before the XXXVII Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Bangalore, arising out of Crime No. 109/2025 registered by the South Women Police Station, Bangalore, for offences under Sections 85 and 115(2) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 and Section 3 of the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961.

4. I state that in the matrimonial proceedings bearing M.C. No. 5940/2025 before the Hon'ble VI Additional Principal Family Judge, Bangalore City, the said matter was referred to Mediation and Respondent No.2 and I have amicably settled our differences on certain terms and conditions by entering into a Mediation Settlement Agreement in the aforesaid divorce proceedings.

5. Since the matter is amicably settled between Respondent No.2 and myself, this Hon'ble Court may be pleased to quash the proceedings in C.C. No. 48500/2025 on the file of the XXXVII Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Bangalore, arising out of Crime No. 109/2025 registered by the South Women Police Station, Bangalore, for offences under Sections 85 and 115(2) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 and Section 3 of the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961.

I do hereby declare that the contents of this affidavit are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief."

"**AFFIDAVIT OF THE SECOND RESPONDENT**

I, Mrs. Navnita V. Hallur, D/o Vivekananda Hallur, aged about 35 years, presently residing at Flat No. M-279, Brigade Meadows Pulmeria, Near Saaluhunase Village, Off Kanakapura Road, Kaggalipura, PO- Udayapura, Bangalore - 560082, do solemnly affirm and state on oath as follows:-

1. I am the Second Respondent in the above case and I am well aware of the facts of this case.

2. I state that the accompanying application is filed under Section 359(6) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, seeking the permission of this Hon'ble Court to compound the offences charged against the Petitioner. I submit that the dispute

between the Petitioner and myself is private and personal in nature and stems from matrimonial discord between us.

3. I state that the instant Petition has been filed to quash the proceedings in **C.C. No. 48500/2025** pending before the **XXXVII Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Bangalore,** arising out of **Crime No. 109/2025** registered by the **South Women Police Station, Bangalore,** for offences under Sections **85 and 115(2) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita 2023 and Section 3 of the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961.**

4. I state that matrimonial proceedings bearing **M.C. No. 5940/2025** are pending on the file of the **VI Additional Principal Family Judge, Bangalore City**. The said matter was referred to Mediation and the Petitioner and I have amicably settled our differences on certain terms and conditions by entering into a **Mediation Settlement Agreement** in the aforesaid divorce proceedings.

5. I state that in view of the amicable settlement arrived at between the Petitioner and myself, I have no objection to the proceedings in C.C. No. 48500/2025 on the file of the XXXVII Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Bangalore, arising out of Crime No. 109/2025 registered by the South Women Police Station, Bangalore, being quashed by this Hon'ble Court."

5. In the light of the application being filed for compounding of offences along with the affidavits and also the offences not being against the State, I deem it appropriate to

accept the application and terminate the proceedings against the petitioner in the subject petition.

6. For the aforesaid reasons, the following:

ORDER

i. Criminal Petition is disposed.

ii. Impugned proceedings in C.C.No.48500 of 2025 pending before the XXXVII Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Bangalore, stand quashed, *qua* the petitioner.

Sd/-
(M.NAGAPRASANNA)
JUDGE

BKP
List No.: 3 Sl No.: 1