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CrI.O.P.No.161 of 2026

THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 03.02.2026

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA

CrI.O.P.No.161 of 2026
and CrI.M.P.No.161 of 2026

1. Monica Rajender
2. Manesh
3. Poongodi ... Petitioners

Vs.

1. The State represented by,
The Inspector of Police,
V5-Thirumangalam Police Station,
Anna Nagar, Chennai – 600 040.
2. Kishore Kumar ... Respondents

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 528 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita/Section 482 Cr.P.C., to call for the records in C.C.No.569 of 2025 on the file of the learned XIII Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore and quash the same.

For Petitioners : Mr.Thomas T Jacob

For R1 : Mr.K.M.D.Muhilan
Additional Public Prosecutor

For R2 : Mr.P.Narasimha Rao



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ORDER

The present Criminal Original Petition has been filed seeking to quash the proceedings in C.C.No.569 of 2025 on the file of the learned XIII Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, pending against the petitioners, on the basis of the compromise arrived at between the petitioners and the *de facto* complainant/second respondent.

2. Heard both sides and perused the materials available on record.

3. Based on the complaint given by the *de facto* complainant/R2, a case in Crime No. 187 of 2023 was registered on the file of the first respondent Police against the accused, for the offences under Sections 294(b), 323 and 506(I) of IPC. After completion of investigation, the final report was filed before the XIII Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Egmore and the Court took cognizance of the same and numbered it as C.C.No.569 of 2025.

4. Learned counsel appearing for both the petitioners and the *de facto* complainant submitted that the matter arises out of the matrimonial



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dispute and that on the advice of elders, the parties have now amicably settled the issue among themselves. Hence, they seek to quash the aforesaid case as against the petitioners. They further submitted that the further proceedings pursuant to the counter case lodged against the second respondent herein in Crime No.321 of 2024, is quashed by this Court today in Crl.O.P.No.2283 of 2026 on the basis of the compromise arrived at between the parties.

5. The petitioners and the *de facto* complainant/R2 appeared before this Court and they were identified by their respective learned counsel as well as by Ms.K.Devi, WSSI, V5-Thirumangalam Police Station,

6. On being enquired by this Court, the *de facto* complainant stated that he has amicably settled the dispute with the petitioners and he is not willing to pursue the criminal proceedings and therefore, seeks to quash the same.

7. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the first respondent police submitted that though the parties have entered into a compromise while this case is pending, this Court, taking into account the seriousness of the offences, has to consider the issue as to whether the

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offences of this nature can be quashed on the ground of compromise between parties.

8. The main issue that requires the consideration of this Court is as to whether this Court can quash the criminal proceedings involving non-compoundable offences pending against the petitioners. The Hon'ble Supreme Court, in the case of *Parbathbhai Aahir @ Parbathbhai Vs. State of Gujarat*, reported in (2017) 9 SCC 641, has given sufficient guidelines that must be taken into consideration by this Court while exercising its jurisdiction under Section 482 of Cr.P.C. (corresponding to Section 528 BNSS), to quash non-compoundable offences. One very important test that has been laid down is that the Court must necessarily examine if the crime in question is purely individual in nature or a crime against the society with overriding public interest. The Hon'ble Supreme Court has held that offences against the society with overriding public interest even if they get settled between the parties, cannot be quashed by this Court.

9. In the present case, the offences in question are purely individual/personal in nature. It involves dispute between the petitioners and the second respondent and quashing the proceedings will not affect any



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overriding public interest in this case and no useful purpose will be served

in continuing with the criminal proceedings. In view of the above, this Court is inclined to quash the proceedings pending against the petitioners in C.C.No.569 of 2025, pending on the file of the XIII Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Egmore, in exercise of its jurisdiction under Section 482 Cr.P.C./Section 528 BNSS.

10. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition stands allowed and the proceedings in C.C.No.569 of 2025, pending on the file of the XIII Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Egmore, is quashed as against the petitioners. Consequently, the connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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Neutral Citation: Yes/No

To

1. The XIII Metropolitan Magistrate,
Egmore.
2. The Inspector of Police,
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3. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.

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