SL. No.	Date	Office Notes, reports, orders or proceedings or directions and Registrar's order with Signatures	COURT'S OR JUDGE'S ORDERS
			C528/1542/2026 Virat Sharma and Another --Applicants **Versus** State Of Uttarakhand and Another --Respondents **Hon'ble Alok Mahra, J.** Mr. Jitendra Chaudary, learned Senior Advocate assisted by Mr. Rishab Ranghar, learned counsel for the applicants. Mr. N.S. Kaniyal, learned A.G.A. for the State of Uttarakhand. Mr. Aditya Singh, learned counsel for respondent no. 2. 2. The present application under Section 528 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (hereinafter referred to as the "BNSS"), has been filed by the applicants seeking quashing of the entire proceedings of Sessions Trial No. 24 of 2023, *State of Uttarakhand vs. Avinash Sharma and Another*, pending before the Court of learned Additional Sessions Judge-II, Kashipur, District Udham Singh Nagar, insofar as the applicants are concerned, for the offences punishable under Sections 504 and 506 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (hereinafter referred to as the "IPC"). 3. Along with the present application, a compounding application, being I.A. No. 01 of 2026, has also been filed. The said application bears the signatures of the parties and has been duly identified by their respective learned counsel. The application is supported by affidavits of the parties, wherein it has been stated that they have amicably settled their dispute and that respondent no. 2 does not wish to pursue the criminal proceedings any further. 4. The applicants are present before this Court, while respondent no. 2 is present

through video conferencing. All the parties have been duly identified by their respective learned counsel.

5. Learned State Counsel has opposed the application for compounding, contending that the offences punishable under Sections 504 and 506 IPC are non-compoundable.

6. Upon being interacted with by this Court, respondent no. 2 submits that the dispute has been amicably settled between the parties and that he no longer wishes to pursue the matter any further.

7. Upon interacting with the parties and considering the material available on record, this Court is satisfied that the settlement has been arrived at voluntarily, without any coercion, pressure or undue influence. Respondent no. 2 has unequivocally expressed his desire not to pursue the criminal proceedings any further.

8. Having regard to the nature and circumstances of the dispute, the fact that the parties have amicably settled their differences, and the voluntary nature of the settlement, this Court has considered whether the continuation of the criminal proceedings would serve any useful purpose or whether the exercise of its inherent jurisdiction under Section 528 of the BNSS is warranted in the interests of justice.

9. In *Gian Singh v. State of Punjab*, (2012) 10 SCC 303; *Narinder Singh v. State of Punjab*, (2014) 6 SCC 466; and *State of Madhya Pradesh v. Laxmi Narayan*, (2019) 5 SCC 688, the Hon'ble Supreme Court has elucidated the principles governing the exercise of inherent jurisdiction for quashing criminal proceedings on the basis of a compromise between the parties. While exercising such jurisdiction, the Court must consider the nature and gravity of the offences, the circumstances in which the dispute arose, and whether quashing the proceedings would secure the ends of justice.

10. In view of the facts and circumstances of the present case, and upon consideration of

			the nature of the allegations and the amicable settlement arrived at between the parties, this Court is of the considered opinion that the settlement is genuine and voluntary and that the continuation of the criminal proceedings, insofar as the applicants are concerned, would serve no useful purpose. Accordingly, this Court considers it a fit case for exercise of its inherent jurisdiction under Section 528 of the BNSS to secure the ends of justice. 11. In view of the foregoing, the compounding application (I.A. No. 01 of 2026) is allowed in terms of the settlement between the parties. Consequently, in exercise of the inherent jurisdiction vested in this Court under Section 528 of the BNSS, the entire proceedings of Sessions Trial No. 24 of 2023, *State of Uttarakhand vs. Avinash Sharma and Another*, pending before the Court of learned Additional Sessions Judge-II, Kashipur, District Udham Singh Nagar, for the offences punishable under Sections 504 and 506 IPC, are hereby quashed qua the applicants. 12. Accordingly, the present criminal miscellaneous application under Section 528 of the BNSS stands disposed of. 13. Pending applications, if any, also stand disposed of. **(Alok Mahra, J.)** 27-10-2026 SB