SL. No.	Date	Office Notes, reports, orders or proceedings or directions and Registrar's order with Signatures	COURT'S OR JUDGE'S ORDERS
			C528/2336/2026 Vineet Kumar Gupta Alias Vineet Gupta --Applicant **Versus** State Of Uttarakhand and Another --Respondents **Hon'ble Alok Mahra, J.** Mr. Abhishek Singh Rawat and Mr. Shashi Kant Upadhyay, learned counsel for the applicant. Ms. Meenakshi Sharma, learned A.G.A. for the State of Uttarakhand. Mr. Santosh Kumar, 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 applicant seeking quashing of the charge-sheet dated 09.09.2024, the cognizance and summoning order dated 08.11.2024, and the entire proceedings of Criminal Case No. 3040 of 2024, State v. Vineet Kumar Gupta, under Sections 420, 504 and 506 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (hereinafter referred to as the "IPC"), pending before the Court of the Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Kotdwar, District Pauri Garhwal. 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 applicant and respondent no. 2 are present before this Court and have been duly identified by their respective learned counsel. 5. Learned State Counsel has opposed the compounding application. 6. Upon interaction with this Court, respondent no. 2 submits that the entire amount has been received and that the dispute has been amicably settled between the parties. He further states 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 allegations involved, 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. Consequently, the compounding application (I.A. No. 01 of 2026) is allowed in terms of the settlement arrived at between the parties. In exercise of the inherent jurisdiction vested in this Court under Section 528 of the BNSS, the charge-sheet dated 09.09.2024, the cognizance and summoning order dated 08.11.2024, and the entire proceedings of Criminal Case No. 3040 of 2024, State v. Vineet Kumar Gupta, under Sections 420, 504 and 506 IPC, pending before the Court of the Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Kotdwar, District Pauri Garhwal, are hereby quashed qua the applicant.

11. Accordingly, the present criminal miscellaneous application under Section 528 of the BNSS stands disposed of.

12. Pending applications, if any, also stand disposed of.

(Alok Mahra, J.)
28-10-2026

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