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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **CRL.REV.P.(NI) 31/2026**

SH. KISHAN ARORA

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Anil Kr. Sharma with Mr.
Narender Kumar and Mr. Vijay
Kumar, Advocates.

versus

NEERAJ BAJAJ

.....Respondent

Through: Ms. Akanksha with Ms. Kartika and
Ms. Sangeeta, Advocates.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUP JAIRAM BHAMBHANI

ORDER

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09.02.2026

CRL.M.A. 4257/2026

Exemption granted, subject to just exceptions.

The application stands disposed of.

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CRL.M.A. 4256/2026 (stay)

By way of the present petition filed under section 438 read with section 528 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita 2023, the petitioner seeks setting-aside of judgment dated 15.01.2026 passed by the learned ASJ-07, Shahdara District, Karkardooma Courts, Delhi in appeal bearing CA No. 35/2024, whereby an appeal filed against judgment of conviction dated 23.01.2024 and sentencing order dated 06.02.2024 passed in case bearing CT No. 116/18 has been dismissed.

2. *Vidé* impugned judgment dated 23.01.2024 and sentencing order dated 06.02.2024, the petitioner was convicted for the offence under section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act 1881 ('NI Act') and sentenced



to simple imprisonment for 01 month alongwith fine of Rs.10,30,000/-, with a default sentence of 03 months. However, *vidé* judgment dated 15.01.2026, the learned ASJ has further directed the petitioner to pay interest at the rate of 9% per annum on the cheque amount of Rs.10 lacs from the date of the sentencing order till the date of realization of the said amount, in addition to the fine imposed.

3. Parties are stated to have settled the matter *vidé* Compromise Deed dated 20.01.2026 for a total sum of Rs.10,50,000/-. A copy of the compromise deed has been appended to the present petition.
4. Issue notice.
5. Learned counsel is present on behalf of the respondent on advance copy; and accepts notice.
6. Upon being queried, learned counsel for the respondent confirms that the parties have settled the matter amicably; and that a sum of Rs.5 lacs stands paid by the petitioner to the respondent earlier and the balance sum of Rs.5,50,000/- has been paid to the respondent by way of a demand draft in court today.
7. In the circumstances, learned counsel for the respondent submits, that they do not oppose the prayer made in the present revision petition.
8. Considering the nature of the dispute involved, and in view of Compromise Deed dated 20.01.2026 signed between the parties, and in the interests of closure of the dispute on settlement, the present petition is allowed.
9. Accordingly, judgment dated 15.01.2026 passed by the learned ASJ, as well as judgment of conviction dated 23.01.2024 and sentencing order dated 16.02.2024 passed by the learned Magistrate are set-aside.



10. The petitioner is acquitted of the offence under section 138 of the NI Act.
11. Petition stands disposed-of.
12. Pending applications, if any, also stand disposed-of.

ANUP JAIRAM BHAMBHANI, J

FEBRUARY 9, 2026
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