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

+ **CRL.M.C. 2242/2026**

RAJESH KHANDELWAL & ANR.Petitioners

Through: Mr. Aakash Naval, MR.
Sahanawaz, Mr. M. Khan, Mr.
Abhishek Naval, Advs. with
petitioners in person

versus

STATE NCT OF DELHI AND ANR.Respondents

Through: Mr. Raghuinder Verma, APP for
the State with Mr. Dinesh Kumar,
Ms. Divya Bakshi and Ms. Upasna
Bakshi, Advocates
IO – appearance not given
R-2 present in person

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SAURABH BANERJEE

ORDER

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04.05.2026

1. By virtue of the present petition under *Section 528* of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, the petitioners seek quashing of FIR No. 363/2018 dated 15.12.2018 registered at PS.: Pahar Ganj, Delhi under *Sections 376/420/506* of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (*IPC*) and *Section 4* of the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961 (*DP Act*) and all proceedings emanating therefrom, in view of the Settlement Deed dated 01.03.2026 [*Annexure P3*] arrived between the petitioners and the respondent no.2, which is accompanied by their respective proofs of identity.
2. Issue notice. Learned APP for the State accepts notice and submits



that he has no objection to the quashing of the aforesaid FIR.

3. Learned APP for the State has handed over a copy of the status report which is taken on record.

4. Respondent no.2, present in Court, also accepts notice and affirms the terms of the aforesaid Settlement Deed dated 01.03.2026, whereby the petitioners have already paid her the total settlement amount of Rs.8,50,000/- as full and final settlement of all her present, past and future claims and has no objection to the quashing of the aforesaid FIR.

5. The petitioners and the respondent no.2, present in Court, as well as their credentials, as on record, have been identified by the IO.

6. Facts disclose that a settlement has already been arrived voluntarily between the petitioners and the respondent no.2 and the present petition is accompanied by their respective affidavit(s). In view thereof, the parties shall remain bound by all the terms and conditions of the settlement arrived *inter se* themselves. Moreover, considering that the respondent/complainant, who is present in person, has since married and is a mother of one child. As such, following the law laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in ***Jitendra Raghuvanshi & Ors. vs. Babita Raguvanshi & Anr. (2013) 4 SCC 58***, ***Gian Singh vs. State of Punjab & Anr. (2012) 10 SCC 303*** and ***Narinder Singh & Ors. vs. State of Punjab & Anr. (2014) 6 SCC 466***, since there is nothing left to corroborate and prove the case of the prosecution, continuation of the aforesaid FIR against the petitioner will be an exercise in futility.

7. Accordingly, the present petition is allowed and FIR No. 363/2018 dated 15.12.2018 registered at PS.: Pahar Ganj, Delhi under *Sections 376/420/506* of the IPC and *Section 4* of the DP Act and all proceedings



emanating therefrom are hereby quashed.

8. As such, the present petition, alongwith the pending application, is disposed of in the aforesaid terms.

SAURABH BANERJEE, J

MAY 4, 2026/bh