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

\# **CNR No. DLHC010170162026**

\+ CRL.M.C. 3036/2026 & CRL.M.A. 12469/2026

DEEPAK VERMA .....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Shiv Kumar & Ms. Niharika Kashyap, Advocates

versus

STATE OF GOVT OF NCT OF DELHI & ORS. .....Respondents

Through: Mr. Mukesh Kumar, APP for State with SI Surender Singh, P.S.: Naraina.
Mr. Movish Lohia, Advocate for respondents (*Through video-conferencing*)
R-2 & 3 in person.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMIT BANSAL

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1. The present petition has been filed under Section 528 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 ('BNSS') seeking quashing of FIR No.172/2021 dated 3rd June, 2021 registered at P.S. Naraina, Delhi under Sections 498A/406/34 of the Indian Penal Code ('IPC') and all proceedings arising therefrom, on the ground of settlement.

2. Issue Notice.

3. Notice is accepted by the APP appearing on behalf of the State and the counsel appearing on behalf of the respondents no.2 and 3.

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4. The petitioner no.1 is the husband of the respondent no.2. The marriage of the petitioner no.1 and the respondent no.2 was solemnized on 22nd November, 1999, in accordance with Hindu rites and ceremonies. One daughter was born out of the wedlock, who has attained majority and resides with the respondent no.2.

5. Marital disputes arose between the petitioner no.1 and the respondent no.2, which resulted in filing of the present FIR.

6. Now, the parties have settled their disputes in terms of the Settlement Agreement dated 30th May 2025, arrived at before the Delhi Mediation Centre, Patiala House Court, New Delhi, which has been placed on record as Annexure-5. As per the settlement agreement, a total sum of Rs.15,00,000/- was to be paid by the petitioner to the respondents. Out of the aforesaid sum, Rs.6,00,000/-has already been paid to the respondents in terms of the settlement. Two demand drafts totalling the sum of Rs.9,00,000/- have been handed over by the petitioner to the respondent no.2 in Court.

7. The decree of divorce dated 16th September, 2025 has been placed on record as Annexure-6 to the petition.

8. The respondent no.2 is present in Court and has been identified by her counsel as well as by the Investigating Officer ('IO'). She informs the Court that she has settled the matter of her own free will and without any coercion. She further states that she has no objection to quashing of the present FIR.

9. The petitioner is also present in Court and has been identified by his counsel. He affirms the statement of the respondent no.2 and undertakes to abide by the terms of settlement arrived at between the parties.

10. Considering the above settlement between the parties, no useful purpose would be served by continuing with the proceedings of the present

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FIR and it would an unnecessary burden on the State exchequer. Hence, it would be in the interest of justice to quash the present FIR and the proceedings pursuant thereto.

11. It is directed that the settlement executed between the petitioner no.1 and respondent no.2, as well as this order, shall have no effect on the legal rights of the child in the future.

12. Consequently, the FIR No.172/2021 registered at P.S. Naraina and the proceedings pursuant thereto are quashed.

13. The petition stands disposed of.

AMIT BANSAL, J

OCTOBER 6, 2026
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