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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**
\# **CNR No. DLHC010545672026**
\+ CRL.M.C. 8455/2026
KULDEEP SINGH .....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Karan Bir Singh, Adv. alongwith Petitioner-in-person.

versus

STATE NCT OF DELHI AND ANR .....Respondents

Through: Mr. Rajkumar, APP for the State with SI Mohit Kumar, PS Tilak Nagar.
Mr. Tayinder Singh, Adv. for R-2 alongwith R-2 in person.
SI Mohit, PS Tilak Nagar.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIMAL KUMAR YADAV

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% 17.11.2026

Matters listed on 16.11.2026 are being taken up today as 16.11.2026 was declared holiday on account of Chhath Puja *vide* notification no.110/G-4/Genl.-I/DHC dated 11.11.2026.

1. Hybrid mode.

2. The present petition under Section 528 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (erstwhile Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973) seeks quashing of FIR No. 559/2020 dated 31.07.2020 registered at PS Tilak Nagar, Delhi for the offence punishable under Section 354A(1)(i) of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 and all consequential proceedings arising therefrom.

3. It is informed that the matter arose on account of some misconception which has now been resolved in the sense that the Petitioner has been discharged in the other offences under which the FIR was registered i.e. the

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offences under Sections 188, 269, 270 and 354 of the Indian Penal Code and Section 3 of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, whereas charge under Section 354A(1)(i) IPC still stands qua which the parties have come up with the Memorandum of Settlement ('MoU') dated 20.07.2026 and have categorically stated before the Court that the matter may be disposed of in terms of the said Settlement.

4. It is further informed that the Petitioner has, in order to maintain the peace and tranquility has relocated from his erstwhile residence, which was just adjacent to the house of the Respondent No. 2; therefore, in all probability the entire issue has been settled without there being any possibility of it flaring up again.

5. Respondent No. 2 is present in the Court and has been duly identified by the Investigating Officer, namely SI Mohit. The Petitioner is also present in the Court and has been identified by his learned counsel.

6. The scope of the High Court's jurisdiction under Section 528 of the BNSS (erstwhile 482 of the CrPC) to quash an FIR and the criminal proceedings emanating therefrom was examined by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in ***State of Madhya Pradesh v. Laxmi Narayan & Ors.,*** (2019) 5 SCC 688. The Apex Court reiterated that while considering a prayer for quashing on the basis of settlement, the High Court must examine the nature and gravity of the offence, the conduct of the accused, the circumstances in which the settlement has been arrived at, and whether continuation of the proceedings would serve any useful purpose.

7. In ***Gian Singh v. State of Punjab,*** **(2012) 10 SCC 303,** Hon'ble Supreme Court held that:

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> *"the power of the High Court in quashing a criminal proceeding or FIR or complaint in exercise of its inherent jurisdiction is distinct and different from the power given to a criminal court for compounding the offences Under Section 320 of the Code. …The High Court may quash criminal proceedings pertaining to offences arising out of matrimony relating to dowry, etc. or the family disputes where the wrong is basically private or personal in nature and the parties have resolved their entire dispute. In this category of cases, High Court may quash criminal proceedings if in its view, because of the compromise between the offender and victim, the possibility of conviction is remote and bleak and continuation of criminal case would put accused to great oppression and prejudice and extreme injustice would be caused to him by not quashing the criminal case despite full and complete settlement and compromise with the victim."*

8. In view of the aforesaid principles, this Court is satisfied that the present case warrants the exercise of its inherent jurisdiction and thus in view of the aforesaid circumstances and the fact that parties have put a quietus to the dispute, no useful purpose will be served in continuing with the present FIR. Accordingly, FIR No. 559/2020 dated 31.07.2020 registered at Police Station Tilak Nagar, Delhi, under Sections 354(A), 188, 269, 270 and 354 of the Indian Penal Code and Section 3 of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, and all consequential proceedings emanating therefrom, are hereby *quashed* qua the Petitioner.

9. The petition is allowed and disposed of in the aforesaid terms. Pending application(s), if any, also stand disposed of.

VIMAL KUMAR YADAV, J

NOVEMBER 17, 2026/ns

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