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

+ **CRL.M.C. 81/2026**

LATA VERMA

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Sachin Tanwar, Advocate with
petitioner in person.

versus

**THE STATE GOVERNMENT OF NCT OF
DELHI & ANR.**

.....Respondents

Through: Mr. Manoj Pant, APP for State with
SI Naveen Yadav, P.S. Dwarka South
Mr. Akshay Kapoor, Advocate for R-
2 and R-2 in person.

CORAM:

HON'BLE DR. JUSTICE SWARANA KANTA SHARMA

ORDER

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06.04.2026

1. By way of the present petition, the petitioner seeks quashing of the FIR bearing no. 411/2024, registered at Police Station Dwarka South, New Delhi, for the commission of offence punishable under Section 209 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (hereafter 'BNS') and all consequential proceedings emanating therefrom.
2. Issue notice. The learned APP accepts notice on behalf of the State.
3. The petitioner and respondent no. 2 are present before this Court and have been identified by their counsel and Investigating Officer (IO) from Police Station Dwarka South, New Delhi.
4. Brief facts of the present case are that respondent no. 2 had filed a



complaint under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 (hereafter '*NI Act*') against the petitioner on account of dishonour of cheque, and during the pendency of the said proceedings, due to non-appearance of the petitioner before the learned Trial Court, she was declared an absconder *vide* order dated 18.09.2024, pursuant to which the present FIR came to be registered. Upon completion of investigation, charge-sheet was filed. Further, it is stated that the petitioner has paid the entire settlement amount to the complainant and, pursuant thereto, separate statement of the complainant was recorded before the learned JMFC, leading to disposal of the matter. It is further stated that the petitioner has duly joined the investigation and was granted anticipatory bail by the Sessions Court *vide* order dated 31.01.2025.

5. It is stated that the case under Section 138 of N.I. Act has been settled/compounded between the parties on 16.12.2024, before the concerned Court, however, due to offence under Section 209 of BNS being non compoundable, the present matter cannot be put to quietus. Therefore, the petitioner is before this Court for quashing of FIR to the limited extent of offence punishable under Section 209 of BNS.

6. On a query made by this Court, respondent no. 2 who has been identified by the IO, has categorically stated that she has entered into compromise out of her own free will and without any pressure, coercion or threat. It is also stated by respondent no. 2 that the entire dispute has been amicably settled between them and the same is recorded by the learned Trial Court *vide* order dated 16.12.2024. Respondent no. 2 further states she has no objection if the present FIR is quashed.

7. In view of the above fact that the parties have amicably resolved their



differences out of their own free will, and without any coercion, no useful purpose will be served by continuing the proceedings, rather the same would create further acrimony between them. It would thus be in interest of justice to quash the abovementioned FIR and the proceedings pursuant thereto. There is no legal impediment in quashing the FIR in question.

8. Accordingly, FIR bearing no. 411/2024, registered at Police Station Dwarka South, New Delhi, for the commission of offence punishable under Section 209 of BNS and all consequential proceedings emanating therefrom are quashed.

9. In view of above, the present petition stands disposed of.

10. The order be uploaded on the website forthwith.

DR. SWARANA KANTA SHARMA, J

APRIL 06, 2026/ns/AP