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

% *Date of Decision: 28.10.2026*

\# **CNR No. DLHC010516402026**

\+ **CRL.M.C. 8061/2026 & CRL.M.A. 33716/2026**

LAKSH ARORA & ORS. .....Petitioners

Through: Mr. Amit Tayal (*through videoconferencing*) and Ms. Ankita Goyal, Advocates.

versus

STATE (NCT OF DELHI) & ANR. .....Respondents

Through: Ms. Manjeet Arya, APP for State with SI Shivpal Singh, PS Punjabi Bagh.
Ms. Nikita Jain, Advocate for R-2 with R-2.

CORAM: JUSTICE GIRISH KATHPALIA

J U D G M E N T (ORAL)

1. Petitioners seek quashing of case FIR No. 146/2023 of PS Punjabi Bagh for offence under Section 498A/34 IPC on the ground that the complainant *de facto* (*respondent no.2*) has compromised the disputes with the petitioners.

2. Learned APP for State assisted by IO/SI Shivpal, accepts notice and submits that State has no objection to this petition.

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3. Respondent no.2, identified by IO, accepts notice.

4. Keeping in mind the nature of the dispute, I have spoken with respondent no.2 in Hindi and it is stated by her that she has compromised all disputes with the petitioners. It is also submitted by her that since 08.10.2024, she is living happily with the petitioners as a close family. Respondent no.2 submits that one son was born from her wedlock with the present petitioner no.1, and that son is also living happily with the family, so now she does not wish to continue prosecution of petitioners.

5. Having spoken with respondent no.2, I am satisfied that it would be in the interest of justice not to push the parties through a full dress trial.

6. Therefore, the petition is allowed and FIR No. 146/2023 of PS Punjabi Bagh for offence under Section 498A/34 IPC as well as proceedings arising out of the same are quashed. Pending application also stands disposed of.

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