

16.03.2026

Present: Appellant in person.
Sh. Kuldeep Singh Katiyar, Ld. Counsel for appellant.
Sh. Yogesh Kumar, Ld. LAC for respondent no. 1.
Respondent in person.

Vide separate judgment, the appeal is dismissed and impugned judgment dated 18.01.2025 and order on sentence dated 10.02.2025 is upheld.

At this stage, counsel for appellant / accused submits that the parties have agreed to amicably settle the present dispute for total payment of compensation amount of Rs. 3,70,000/- to the complainant / respondent in installments by the accused / appellant.

It has been submitted that as an act of good faith, the accused / appellant has today itself made payment of Rs. 50,000/- through electronic transfer to the complainant / respondent. Proof of such transfer is furnished before court.

It is further submitted that appellant/ accused shall furnish further amount of Rs. 1,00,000/- to the complainant / respondent on 16.05.2026, further amount of Rs. 1,00,000/- on 16.07.2026 and the remaining amount of approximately Rs. 56,500/- on 16.08.2026. The remaining amount of Rs. 63, 500/- shall be paid to the complainant / respondent after seeking withdrawal of the FDR of the said amount in the name of court furnished before the Ld. Appellate Court in the previous appeal bearing no. 29/24 decided vide judgment dated 30.09.2024. Counsel for appellant/ accused has submitted that the said amount of the said FDR shall be paid

maximum by 16.05.2026.

The Ld. LAC for complainant / respondent, alongwith complainant / respondent herself has submitted that complainant has no objection to such payment and has agreed to amicably settle the present dispute between the parties.

As per the observations made by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the judgment of *Raj Reddy Kallem V. State of Haryana in Crl. Appeal No. 22/10 of 2024 decided on 08.04.2024*, it is settled that offence punishable u/s 138 NI Act can be compounded at any stage, even after conviction.

Accordingly, in view of the settlement arrived at between the parties today, after pronouncement of judgment and the submissions as made above, let trial court file alongwith copy of present judgment as well as present order be sent back to Ld. Trial Court with the direction to ensure compliance of the above-stated settlement terms between the parties, failing which, in the alternative, for execution of sentence, against the appellant / accused. Let the file be put up before Ld. Trial Court for **18.03.2026 at 02.00 PM.**

Appeal record be sent to record room after due compliance, if any.

(Deepti Devesh)
ASJ/Sp1.FTC/PHC/16.03.2026