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**HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR**

**CRR No. 1143 of 2023**

- Guha Manikpuri, S/o Late Birbal Das, aged about 43 Years, R/o House No. S.F. 789, C.S.E.B Colony Korba East, Tehsil and District Korba, Chhattisgarh.

**---Applicant**

**versus**

- Meenu Pandey, D/o Devi Prasad Pandey, aged about 36 Years, R/o Adarsh Nagar, Podi Bahar, Police Chowki Rampur, Korba, Tehsil and District Korba Chhattisgarh.

**--- Non-applicant**

**CRR No. 1147 of 2023**

- Guha Manikpuri, S/o Late Birbal Das, aged about 43 Years, R/o House No. S.F. 789, C.S.E.B Colony Korba East, Tehsil and District Korba (C.G.)

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**Versus**

- Meenu Pandey, D/o Devi Prasad Pandey, aged about 36 Years, R/o Adarsh Nagar Podi Bahar, Police Chowki Rampur, Korba, Tehsil and District Korba (C.G.)

**--- Non-applicant**

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| For Applicant                                 | : | Mr.Ashutosh Shukla, Advocate. |
| For Non-applicant                             | : | Mr. Anil Tripathi, Advocate   |
| Complainant-Meenu Pandey is present in person |   |                               |



**(Hon'ble Shri Justice Radhakishan Agrawal)**

**Order on Board**

**22/04/2026**

1. Both the above-captioned revisions under Sections 397/401 Cr.P.C. are directed against the separate judgments dated 21.09.2023 passed by the learned First Additional Sessions Judge, Korba, District Korba (C.G.), in Criminal Appeal Nos. 56/2021 and 57/2021 filed by the applicant, Guha Manikpuri, against the judgments dated 25.08.2021 passed by the learned Judicial Magistrate First Class, Korba, District Korba (C.G.), in Criminal Case Nos. 3186/2018 and 3187/2018. By the said judgments, applicant- Guha Manikpuri was convicted for the offence under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 (for short, "the N.I. Act") and sentenced to undergo simple imprisonment for three months and to pay compensation of Rs.2,90,000/- each to complainant- Meenu Pandey in both the cases. The learned appellate Court partly allowed both the appeals and, while affirming the conviction under Section 138 of the N.I. Act, modified the sentence from three months' simple imprisonment to imprisonment till rising of the Court and enhanced the compensation to Rs.5,00,000/- each in both the cases (i.e. double the alleged cheques amount of Rs.2,50,000/- each). Aggrieved by the aforesaid judgments dated 21.09.2023, applicant- Guha Manikpuri has preferred the present revisions before this Court. However, during the pendency of these revisions, the parties have filed an application (I.A. No. 06/2026) for compromise.
2. Heard on I.A. No. 06/2026, an application for compromise between the parties.



3. Learned counsel for the parties submit that the matter has been settled amicably between them and no dispute remains. It is further submitted that, in view of Section 147 of the N.I. Act, the offence is compoundable.
4. Complainant, Meenu Pandey, is present in person and, on being asked, states that the matter has been settled between the parties and that the applicant, Guha Manikpuri, may be acquitted of the charge levelled against her.
5. In view of the settlement between the parties, I.A. No. 06/2026 is allowed. Consequently, the applicant, Guha Manikpuri, is acquitted of the charge under Section 138 of the N.I. Act in both the cases.
6. Accordingly, both the criminal revisions stand disposed of. The bail bonds and sureties of the applicant shall stand discharged.
7. Let the record of the trial Court, along with a copy of this order, be sent forthwith for compliance and necessary action, if any.

Sd/-  
**(Radhakishan Agrawal)**  
Judge

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