



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY,  
NAGPUR BENCH, NAGPUR.**

**CRIMINAL APPLICATION (APL) NO. 169 OF 2026**

Gopal Chandrabhan Hadole and others

Vs.

The State of Maharashtra and another

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Office Notes, Office Memoranda of  
Coram, appearances, Court's Orders  
or directions and Registrar's order

Court's or Judge's Order

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Shri K. G. Rathi, Advocate for applicants.  
Shri M. J. Khan, APP for non-applicant no.1/State.  
Shri L. B. Khergade, Advocate for non-applicant no. 2.

**CORAM :- M. W. CHANDWANI, J.**

**DATED :-11.06.2026**

Heard the learned counsels for the respective parties.

2. The application seeks quashing of Regular Criminal Case No. 1320/2021 arising out of First Information Report (FIR) No. 176/2021, dated 13.03.2021 registered with Ramdaspath Police Station, Akola for the offences punishable under Sections 120B, 420, 423, 465, 468, 471, 197, 198 r/w. 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860.

3. It is common ground that the matter has been amicably settled between the parties and a pursis bearing Stamp No. 146/2026 along with Compromise Deed/Final Settlement has been filed on record by the learned counsel for the applicants. The parties to the application have admitted execution of the agreement

and the terms contained therein. The parties are duly identified by their respective counsels.

4. Since, the dispute arise out of commercial transaction, I am of the view that in wake of settlement between the parties and to maintain harmony between the parties, the proceeding which arose out of FIR No. 176/2021, can be quashed.

5. A reference can be made to the decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the case of ***Narinder Singh and others Vs. State of Punjab and another [(2014) 6 SCC 466]***, wherein it has been observed that when the dispute has arisen out of a commercial transaction and the parties have settled the dispute, FIR can be quashed.

6. In view of the above, I proceed to pass the following order:-

i) The application is allowed.

ii) Regular Criminal Case No. 1320/2021 arising out of First Information Report (FIR) No. 176/2021 registered with Ramdaspath Police Station, Akola for the offences punishable under Sections 120B, 420, 423, 465, 468, 471, 197, 198 r/w. 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 is hereby quashed and set aside against the applicants subject to deposit of costs of Rs.5,000/- jointly by the applicants in the account of "Public Welfare Fund" in Union Bank of India, High Court Branch,

Nagpur having account no. 129712010001014 and IFSC Code UBIN0812978.

(M. W. CHANDWANI, J.)