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CRL.P No. 3244 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU
DATED THIS THE 27TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2026
BEFORE
THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY
CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 3244 OF 2026

BETWEEN:

ROBERT LALRINMAWIA
S/O LALRINKHUMA
AGED ABOUT 22 YEARS
R/A NO.154, RUANTLANG
R SECTION, CHAMPHAI
MIZORAM - 796 321
PRESENT ADDRESS
NO.NILL, 15TH CROSS
RAJENDRA NAGAR
KORAMANGALA, BANGALORE - 560 034.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI MOHAMMAD IBRAHIM ARSHAD M.P, ADV.)

AND:

1. STATE OF KARNATAKA
BY VIVEKNAGARA POLICE
STATION, REP. BY SPP
HIGH COURT BUILDING
BANGALORE - 560 001.
2. ROSANGZELA
S/O VANKULHA
AGED ABOUT 21 YEARS
R/A ART OF DELIGHTICECREAM
SHOP, RESIDENCY ROAD
ASHOKNAGARA
BENGALURU - 560 025.

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI M.V. ANOOP KUMAR, HCGP FOR R-1;
SRI LALRUAT FELI, ADV., FOR R-2)

THIS CRL.P IS FILED U/S 482 CR.PC (FILED U/S 528 BNNS)
PRAYING TO QUASH THE FIR IN CRIME NO.1/2026 OF VIVEKNAGAR
POLICE STATION BENGALURU FOR THE OFFENCE U/S 109(1), 126(2)





OF BNS ACT PENDING BEFORE 29TH ADDL.CMM COURT AT MAYO HALL BENGALURU CITY (CCH-29).

THIS PETITION, COMING ON FOR ADMISSION, THIS DAY, ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY

ORAL ORDER

1. Accused in Crime No.1/2026 registered by Viveknagar Police Station, Bengaluru for the offence punishable under Sections 109(1) & 126(2) of BNS, 2023 is before this Court in this criminal petition filed under Section 528 of BNSS, 2023 with a prayer to quash the entire proceedings against them.

2. Learned counsel for the parties jointly submits that, the petitioner and respondent no.2 are childhood friends and were working together in a ice cream parlour. The incident in question had taken place on the intervening night of 31.12.2025 and 01.01.2026, after the petitioner, respondent no.2 and their friends had consumed alcohol in a new year party. They submit that, dispute has been now settled amicably at the intervention of well-wishers and elders of both the parties. They submit that, respondent no.2 has suffered only



simple injury in the incident in question and allegation against the petitioner is that he had assaulted respondent no.2 with his hands. Accordingly, they pray to permit the parties to compound the offences for which FIR has been registered against the petitioner.

3. They submit that, an application is today filed which is supported by the affidavit of the parties with a prayer to permit them to compound the offences for which FIR has been registered against the petitioner.

4. The said submissions are placed on record. The application filed by parties which is supported by their affidavit seeking permission of this Court to compound the offences for which FIR has been registered in the present case against the petitioner is taken on record. Respondent no.2, who is present in person before the Court is identified by his learned advocate and he submits that the dispute between him and the petitioner who are friends has been settled and therefore the prayer made in the application may be allowed. In paragraph nos.2 to 8 of the affidavit, which is filed by respondent no.2 in support of the prayer made in the application filed seeking permission



of this Court to permit the parties to compound the offence for which FIR has been filed against the petitioner, it is stated as follows:-

"3. I submit that when I had been to the hospital for medical check-up and was undergoing treatment, the respondent police obtained my thumb Impression on certain papers. At that time, I was not informed about the contents of the said documents nor was I made aware that an FIR would be registered in my name.

4. I state that without my knowledge, consent, or voluntary intention, the police registered an FIR in Crime No. 01/2026 against the Petitioner showing me as the complainant.

*5. I respectfully submit that the dispute between myself and the Petitioner arose out of a **personal misunderstanding during a New Year gathering**, and the same was not intentional.*

*6. I state that with the intervention of elders, friends, and well-wishers, the dispute between myself and the Petitioner has been **amicably settled**.*

*7. I state that the compromise has been entered into **voluntarily, out of my own free will, consent, and without any force, coercion, or undue influence** from any person.*



*8. I state that, I have no objection **whatsoever** for quashing the FIR in Crime No.01/2026 and all consequential proceedings against the Petitioner."*

5. Perusal of the averments in the FIR would go to show that, petitioner and respondent no.2 were working in ice cream parlour and they were also staying together in a room which was provided to them by their employer. The incident in question had taken place after the friends had consumed alcohol in a new year party. The allegation against the petitioner is that he had assaulted first informant with his hands. Undisputedly, the first informant has suffered only simple injury in the incident in question.

6. The Hon'ble Supreme Court in the case of **RAMGOPAL AND ANOTHER Vs. STATE OF MADHYA PRADESH -2021 SCC ONLINE SC 834**, has observed that notwithstanding the limitations provided under Section 320 of Cr.P.C, this Court, in exercise of its powers under Section 482 of Cr.P.C, can quash criminal proceedings registered even for non compoundable offences depending upon the nature and gravity of allegation, relationship between the parties and nature of settlement arrived between them.



7. In the case on hand, the petitioner and respondent no.2 are said to childhood friends who are working together and had quarreled with each other after consuming alcohol. The allegation against the petitioner is not grave in nature and injury suffered by respondent no.2 is also not serious in nature. Under these circumstances, the prayer made in the application needs to be granted so as to do complete justice to the parties.

8. Accordingly, the criminal petition is allowed.

9. The entire proceedings in Crime No.1/2026 registered by Viveknagar Police Station, Bengaluru for the offence punishable under Sections 109(1) & 126(2) of BNS, 2023 is hereby quashed.

The jail authorities are directed to forthwith release the petitioner, who is in custody.

Sd/-
(S VISHWAJITH SHETTY)
JUDGE