



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 24TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.NAGAPRASANNA

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 6096 OF 2025

BETWEEN:

PRADEEP KUMAR M.,
AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS,
S/O MANOHAR V.,
R/AT, NO.46, 3RD 'B' CROSS,
KUVEMPU LAYOUT
DEVASANDRA, K.R.PURAM
BENGALURU - 560 036.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. M.R.C.MANO HAR, ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
BY EAST ZONE WOMEN POLICE STATION,
BENGALURU, REPRESENTED BY ITS
STATE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
HIGH COURT COMPLEX,
BENGALURU - 560 001.
2. SMT. ARCHANA E.,
AGED ABOUT 31 YEARS,
W/O PRADEEP KUMAR M.,
R/AT NO.106, 1ST CROSS ROAD,
2ND MAIN ROAD, SARWABHOUMA NAGARA,





BANNERGHATTA ROAD,
BENGALURU - 560 076.

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI. VINAY MAHADEVAIAH, HCGP FOR R1)

THIS CRL.P IS FILED U/S 482 CR.PC PRAYING TO QUASH THE FIR AND COMPLAINT INITIATED AGAINST HIM IN CRIME NO.07/2021, REGISTERED BY THE EAST ZONE WOMEN POLICE STATION, BENGALURU CITY, FOR THE OFFENCES PUNISHABLE UNDER SECTION 498A, 506 READ WITH 34 OF IPC AND SECTION 3 AND 4 OF THE DOWRY PROHIBITION ACT AND CASE IS NOT PENDING ON THE FILES OF HONBLE VI ADDITIONAL CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, MAYO-HALL, BENGALURU (PREVIOUSLY PENDING BEFORE VI ACJM, BENGALURU).

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

CORAM: **HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.NAGAPRASANNA**

ORAL ORDER

The petitioner is before this Court calling in question proceedings in Crime No.07/2021, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 498A, 506 read with Section 34 of the Indian Penal Code and Sections 3 and 4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act.



2. Heard Sri.M.R.C.Manohar, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner, Sri.Vinay Mahadevaiah, learned HCGP appearing for respondent No.1 and have perused the material on record.

3. The parties to the *lis* were also before the Family Court in M.C.No.5209/2020 and have settled the dispute amongst themselves before the Family Court by terms of settlement. One of the term of the settlement is, closure of the present proceedings. The said term in the settlement reads as follows:

"...6. In view of the settlement arrived between the parties herein, the respondent has agreed to withdraw Crl.Misc.57/2021 pending before MMTC V, Bengaluru, filed against the petitioner herein under DV Act, as not pressed.

7. In view of the above settlement arrived between the parties, the respondent has agreed to cooperate in closing/quashing Crime No.7/2021 filed in Women's Police Station, Shivajinagar against the petitioner herein and his family members for the offences punishable under Sections 498-A, 506 r/w 34 of IPC and Sections 3 & 4 of D.P. Act in Crl.P.7085/2021 before the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka, Bengaluru, in accordance with law.

8. In view of the above settlement both the parties hereby withdraw all the allegations made



against each other either in this petition or in connected cases or orally.

9. Both the parties undertake not to interfere in the lives of each other in future.

10. Both the parties have entered into to this settlement agreement on their own free will and volition, without any force, threat, coercion or undue influence from any one.

II. In view of the aforesaid agreement entered into between the parties, the parties pray that this Hon'ble Court be pleased to dissolve the marriage solemnized on 01.07.2018 at Sri Krishna Palace, Opp: East Point Medical Collage and Hospital, Avalahalli- Bidarahalli Main Road, Hirandahalli, Virgonagara Post, Bengaluru - 560 049, by granting a decree of divorce, in terms of this agreement/settlement..."

4. Therefore, in light of the settlement arrived at between the parties quoted *supra* and the offences not being against the State, I deem it appropriate to terminate the proceedings pending against the petitioner in the subject petition.

5. For the aforesaid reasons, the following:

ORDER

- i. Criminal Petition is **disposed**.
- ii. Proceedings in Crime No.07/2021 pending before the VI Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Mayo



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Hall, Bengaluru (previously pending before VI ACJM, Bengaluru), stands quashed, *qua* the petitioner.

**Sd/-
(M.NAGAPRASANNA)
JUDGE**

CBC
List No.: 1 SI No.: 130