

SL. No.	Date	Office Notes, reports, orders or proceedings or directions and Registrar's order with Signatures	COURT'S OR JUDGE'S ORDERS
			<p><u>C-528 No.1041 of 2026</u> <u>Hon'ble Alok Mahra, J.</u></p> <p>Mr. Lalit Sharma, learned counsel for the applicant.</p> <p>2. Ms. Pushpa Bhatt, learned Addl. Advocate General along with Mr. S.C. Dumka, learned A.G.A. for the State.</p> <p>3. Present C-528 application has been filed to quash the chargesheet, cognizance/summoning order dated 27.05.2026 passed by learned Civil Judge (J.D.)/Judicial Magistrate, Doiwala, District Dehradun in Criminal Case No.189 of 2025 under Sections 420, 467 & 471 I.P.C. as well as the entire criminal proceedings of the aforesaid case.</p> <p>4. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that the complainant lodged an F.I.R. alleging that the applicant forged the signature of one Leela Singh and, on that basis, managed to disconnect electricity and water connections standing in the name of Leela Singh; that, the father of respondent no.2 and the applicant are brother and sister, each having equal share in the property; that, the father of the applicant executed a gift deed dated 29.06.2016 in favour of the applicant, thereby transferring the property to her.</p> <p>5. He would further submit that several civil litigations concerning the</p>

property are already pending between the parties; the genesis of the dispute is purely civil in nature which has been given a criminal by lodging the present F.I.R. It is further submitted that although the F.I.R. was registered under Sections 420, 467, 468 & 471 I.P.C., the Investigating Officer, after investigation, filed the chargesheet only under Sections 420, 468 & 471 I.P.C., exonerating the applicant of the offence under Section 467 I.P.C.

5. A bare perusal of the F.I.R. does not disclose the commission of any offence of forgery or cheating; that, no specific forged document has been produced or relied upon by respondent no.2 in the F.I.R.; that, the allegations are vague and general in nature; that, the applicant has been falsely implicated without any cogent or reliable evidence; that, the prosecution has failed to bring on record any material to substantiate the allegations of forgery or cheating, therefore, the criminal proceedings against the applicant would amount to abuse of the process of law as the dispute being essentially civil in nature, the criminal proceedings deserve to be quashed.

6. This Court finds some substance in the submission made by learned counsel for the applicant, which definitely requires deliberation.

7. Issue notices to respondent no.2, returnable at an early date.

8. Steps to be taken within one week.

9. List after service of notice upon respondent.

10. Objections, if any, be filed by the State/respondent.

11. Meanwhile, as an interim measure, further proceedings of learned Criminal Case No.189 of 2025 (Case Crime No.337 of 2024) pending in the court of learned Civil Judge (J.D.)/Judicial Magistrate, Doiwala, District Dehradun shall remain stayed *qua* the applicants till the next date of listing.

12. Stay application stands disposed of accordingly.

(Alok Mahra, J.)
19.05.2026

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