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IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA

CRIMINAL MISC. APPLICATION NO.170 OF 2026
WITH
CRIMINAL REVISION APPLICATION NO.132 OF 2026

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Mr. Sahil Sardesai, Advocate for the Applicant.
Ms. Swati Kamat Wagh, Additional Public Prosecutor with Ms Shibani Singh, Advocate for Respondent No. 1.
Ms Varsha Thakur and Ms Aditi Masurkar, Advocates for the Respondent No.2.

CORAM:- AMIT S. JAMSANDEKAR, J.

DATED :- 19th October, 2026

P.C.

Heard Mr Sahil Sardessai, learned Counsel for the Applicant.

2. It is submitted that the Applicant has deposited the entire compensation amount in the Court.

3. In view thereof, it is submitted that the compensation amount deposited by the Applicant be paid to the Respondent No.2 and the

offence committed by the Applicant under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act be compounded.

4. Learned Counsel for the Respondent states that the Respondent No.2 has no objection if the offence committed by the Applicant under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act is compounded.

5. In view thereof, the judgment and orders dated 7.1.2026 passed by the Chief Judicial Magistrate, Panaji, in Criminal Case No.OA/509/2019/A and the judgment and order dated 14.7.2026 passed by the Additional Sessions Judge-2, North, Goa, Merces in Criminal Appeal No.24/2026 are quashed and set aside. Consequently, the offence committed by the Applicant under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act stands compounded.

6. Registry is directed to remit an amount of Rs.2,70,000/- along with accrued interest to the Respondent No.2. The Bank details furnished by the Respondent No.2 are taken on record. The Applicant has paid the amount towards costs to the Goa State Legal Services Authority and has placed on record receipt of the same.

7. Criminal Revision Application stands disposed of. Pending Applications, if any, stand disposed of.

8. This order will be digitally signed by the Private Secretary/Personal Assistant of this Court. All concerned will act on production by fax or email of a digitally signed copy of this order.

AMIT S. JAMSANDEKAR, J.

Signed by: VINITA VIKAS NAIK
Designation: Private Secretary
Date: 19/10/2026 17:58:36