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Though compounding requires consent of both parties, even in absence of such consent, the court, in the interests of justice, on being satisfied that the complainant has been duly compensated, can in its discretion close the proceedings and [discharge](#) the accused.

Meters and Instruments (P) Ltd. v. Kanchan Mehta, (2018) 1 SCC 560

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