



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 25TH DAY OF JUNE, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 8672 OF 2026

BETWEEN:

1. CHENNAJAMMA
S/O LATE NAVEEN KUMAR K.M
AGED ABOUT 28 YEARS
R/AT BERANBADI VILLAGE
HANGALA HOBLI, GUNDLUPETE TALUK
CHAMRAJANAGAR DISTRICT
PIN - 571 313
PERMANENTLY R/AT KABBAHALLI VILLAGE
BEGURU HOBLI, GUNDLUPETE TALUK
CHAMRAJANAGAR DISTRICT
PIN - 571 313.
2. MUNIYAMMA
S/O RANGANAYAKA
AGED ABOUT 48 YEARS
R/AT BERANBADI VILLAGE
HANGALA HOBLI, GUNDLUPETE TALUK
CHAMRAJANAGAR DISTRICT
PIN - 571 313.

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI MANJUNATHA N.M, ADV.)

AND:

STATE OF KARNATAKA BY
BEGUR POLICE STATION
CHAMARAJANAGAR DISTRICT
REP BY ITS STATE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT BUILDING
BANGALORE - 01.

...RESPONDENT

(BY SMT. RASHMI JADHAV, ADDL. SPP)

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PRAYING TO ENLARGE THE PETITIONER ON ANTICIPATORY BAIL FOR

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THE OFFENCE P/U/S 108, 3(5) OF BNS WHICH IS REGISTERED IN CRIME NO.31/2026 BEFORE THE RESPONDENT BEGUR POLICE WHICH IS PENDING ON THE FILE OF THE HONBLE ADDL.CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC COURT, GUNDLUPET CHAMARAJANAGARA DISTRICT.

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY

ORAL ORDER

1. Accused nos.1 and 2 in Crime No.31 of 2026 registered by Begur Police Station, Chamarajanagara District, for offence punishable under Section 108 r/w Section 3(5) of BNS, 2023 are before this Court in this petition filed under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023 seeking anticipatory bail.

2. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and learned Additional State Public Prosecutor on behalf of the respondent - State.

3. FIR in Crime no.31 of 2026 was registered by Begur Police Station, Chamarajanagara District for the aforesaid offences against petitioners herein, based on the first information dated 09.02.2026 submitted by Smt. Puttamma, who is the mother of deceased Naveen Kumar. Apprehending



arrest in the said case, petitioners had filed CrI.Misc.No.148 of 2026 before the jurisdictional Sessions Court, which was rejected on 22.04.2026. Therefore, they are before this Court.

4. Perusal of the first information submitted by the mother of the deceased would reveal that petitioner no.1 is the wife of deceased and petitioner no.2 is his mother-in-law. It appears that there was some marital dispute between the deceased and his wife and therefore, a case was filed before the jurisdictional Court at Gundlupete.

5. Allegation in the first information is that when the first informant and deceased had gone to the Gundlupete Court, the deceased had tried to speak to his children, who had come to the Court along with accused nos.1 and 2, but they had not allowed him to speak to them. Subsequently, he had committed suicide on 09.02.2026 by hanging himself.

6. The averments found in the first information are not sufficient so as to prima facie attract the alleged offences as against the petitioners herein. The petitioners, who are ladies



have undertaken to cooperate with the police for the purpose of investigation.

7. Accordingly, the following:

ORDER

The Criminal Petition is ***allowed.***

The respondent - Police or any other police in the State of Karnataka are directed to release the petitioners in the event of their arrest in Crime No.31 of 2026 registered by Begur Police Station, Chamarajanagara District, for offence punishable under Section 108 r/w Section 3(5) of BNS, 2023, subject to the following conditions:

1. The petitioners shall appear before the Investigating Officer in the present case within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order on executing a personal bond for a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only) each with two sureties for the likesum to the satisfaction of the investigating officer/jurisdictional Court.



2. The petitioners shall regularly appear before the Trial Court without fail unless exempted by the Trial Court for valid reasons.

3. The petitioners shall not tamper with the prosecution witness and they shall co-operate with the Police for investigation and appear before them whenever called upon.

4. The petitioners shall not involve in similar offences in future.

Sd/-
(S VISHWAJITH SHETTY)
JUDGE