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NC: 2026:KHC:49581
CRL.P No. 12076 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU
DATED THIS THE 9TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2026
BEFORE
THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY
CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 12076 OF 2026

BETWEEN:

1. SRI K. PRASANNA KUMAR
S/O KRISHNAMURTHY. C
AGED ABOUT 30 YEARS
R/AT 1415, KOTHWAL RAMAIAH ROAD
DEVARAJA MOHALLA
MYSORE CITY - 570 001.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI PANCHAM R.D, ADV.)

AND:

1. STATE OF KARNATAKA
BY MANDYA WEST POLICE STATION
MANDYA DISTRICT - 571 401
REP. BY STATE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA
AMBEDKAR VEEDHI
BENGALURU - 560 001.

...RESPONDENT

(BY SRI CHANNAPPA ERAPPA, HCGP)

THIS CRL.P IS FILED U/S 438 CR.PC (FILED U/S 482 BNSS)
PRAYING TO ENLARGE THE PETITIONER ON ANTICIPATORY BAIL IN
C.C.NO.8/2026 ARISING OUT OF CR.NO.79/2025 OF MANDYA WEST
P.S MANDYA DIST.

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY

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ORAL ORDER

1. Accused No.4 in Crime No.79 of 2025 registered by Mandya West Police Station, Mandya District for the offences punishable under Sections 238, 61(2), 336(3), 318(2), 318(4), 316(2), 340(2) R/w Section 3(5) of BNS, 2023 is before this Court in this petition filed under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023 seeking anticipatory bail.

2. Heard the learned counsel for the parties.

3. FIR in Crime No.79 of 2025 was registered by Mandya West Police Station, Mandya District against one Sri Praveen and others, based on first information dated 23.05.2025, received from Sri Shridar S/o Late Siddegowda. After completing investigation in the said case, charge sheet is filed against four persons. Apprehending arrest in the said case, petitioner had approached the jurisdictional Sessions Court in Crl.Misc.No.130 of 2026, which was rejected on 03.03.2026. Therefore, he is before this Court.



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4. Petitioner's name is not found in the FIR. Accused no.1 named in the FIR is the brother of the petitioner and it appears that he was holding a license to run a jewelery shop in the name of "Anagha Gold Pawn Brokers". The first informant has alleged that he had pledged gold in the aforesaid finance company known as "Anagha Gold Pawn Brokers" and had borrowed money. Subsequently, it was found that the aforesaid finance company was closed and it is under these circumstances, he had approached the police.

5. Charge sheet material would go to show that petitioner is arrayed as accused no.4 in the charge sheet. Accused nos.1 to 3 have been granted police bail in the present case. Except stating that petitioner is the brother of accused no.1, there is no other serious allegation as against the petitioner. Investigation of the case is already completed and charge sheet is filed. Under the circumstances, the following:-

ORDER

(i) The Criminal Petition is ***allowed.***



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(ii) The respondent - Police or any other police in the State of Karnataka are directed to release the petitioner in the event of his arrest in Crime No.79 of 2025 registered by Mandya West Police Station, Mandya District for the offences punishable under Sections 238, 61(2), 336(3), 318(2), 318(4), 316(2), 340(2) R/w Section 3(5) of BNS, 2023, subject to the following conditions:

1. The petitioner 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) with two sureties for the likesum to the satisfaction of the jurisdictional Court.

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

3. The petitioner shall not tamper with the prosecution witness and he shall co-operate with



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the Police for investigation and appear before them
whenever called upon.

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

**Sd/-
(S VISHWAJITH SHETTY)
JUDGE**

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List No.: 1 SI No.: 45