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NC: 2026:KHC:48293
CRL.P No. 12360 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 7TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 12360 OF 2026

(438(Cr.PC) / 482(BNSS))

BETWEEN:

RAJU @ RAJA
S/O. MALLAPPA,
AGED ABOUT 41 YEARS,
R/AT MUDNAKUDU VILLAGE,
HARAVE HOBLI, CHAMARAJANAGARA TALUK,
CHAMARAJANAGARA DISTRICT - 571 128.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. ANIRUDH Y M, ADVOCATE FOR
SRI. PARAMESWARAPPA C., ADVOCATE)

AND:

STATE OF KARNATAKA
BY CHAMARAJANAGARA RURAL POLICE STATION,
CHAMARAJNAGAR - 571 313.
REPRESENTED BY THE STATE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA,
BENGALURU - 560 001.

...RESPONDENT

(BY SRI.CHANNAPPA EERAPPA, HCGP)

THIS CRL.P IS FILED U/S 438 CR.PC (FILED U/S 482
BNSS) PRAYING TO ALLOW THIS PETITION AND THEREBY

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PLEASED TO GRANT ANTICIPATORY BAIL DIRECTING THE RESPONDENT POLICE TO RELEASE THEM ON BAIL IN THE EVENT OF THEIR ARREST IN CONNECTION WITH THE CRIME NO.142/2026 OF THE CHAMARAJANAGARA RURAL P.S, PENDING ON THE FILE OF THE LRD. PRL. CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC COURT, AT CHAMARAJANAGARA FOR THE OFFENCES P/U/S 329(4), 352, 115(2), 74, 119(1), 118(1), 126(2), 76, 190 OF BNS 2023.

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY

ORAL ORDER

Accused in Crime No.142/2026 registered by Chamarajanagar Rural Police Station, Chamarajanagar District for the offences punishable under Sections 329(4), 352, 115(2), 74, 119(1), 118(1), 126(2), 76 and 190 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), 2023, is before this Court in this petition filed under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023 seeking anticipatory bail.

2. Heard the arguments of the learned counsel for the parties.

3. FIR in Crime No.142/2026 was registered by Chamarajanagar Rural Police Station for the aforesaid



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offences against the petitioner and others based on the first information dated 11.07.2026 received from Smt. Nandini. Apprehending arrest in the case, the petitioner had filed CrI. Misc. No. 296/2025 before the jurisdictional Sessions Court which was rejected against him on 28.07.2026. Therefore, he is before this Court.

4. First informant is the alleged victim in the present case. A perusal of the material on record would indicate that, the injured victim Nandini is the friend of Sowbhagya. Petitioner had earlier allegedly quarrelled with Sowbhagya. On 10.07.2026, the petitioner allegedly came to the shop of the first informant and inquired as to why she was supporting her friend Sowbhagya. He thereafter, allegedly, forcibly entered the shop of the first informant and tried to outrage her modesty. He also allegedly snatched the gold chain which she was wearing in her neck. When her son came to stop him, the petitioner allegedly snatched the mobile phones of the first informant



and her son. Thereafter, the other accused persons came near the shop of the first informant and assaulted them.

5. Learned HCGP has produced the wound certificate of the injured victim Nandini, which would indicate that, she had sustained only scratch injuries on her head, neck and back, and the said injuries are certified as simple injuries by the Medical Officer, who had given the first-aid treatment to the victim lady.

6. It is brought to the notice of this Court that, the petitioner is a person with criminal antecedents. Considering the aforesaid aspects of the matter, I am of the opinion that the prayer made by the petitioner for grant of anticipatory bail needs to be allowed, subject to appropriate conditions. Accordingly, the following:

ORDER

The petition is ***allowed***. 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



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No.142/2026 registered by Chamarajanagar Rural Police Station for the offences punishable under Sections 329(4), 352, 115(2), 74, 119(1), 118(1), 126(2), 76 and 190 of BNS, 2023, subject to the following conditions:

1. The Petitioner shall appear before the Investigating Officer within 15 days from the date of receipt of the copy of this order and shall execute a personal bond for a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- with two sureties for the likesum to the satisfaction of the investigating officer.
2. Petitioner shall regularly appear before the Trial Court without fail unless exempted by the Trial Court for valid reasons.
3. Petitioner shall not tamper with the prosecution witnesses and he shall co-operate with the police for investigation and appear before them whenever called upon.
4. The petitioner shall not involve in similar offences in future.
5. The petitioner is directed to appear before the Station House Officer, Chamarajanagar Rural Police Station, Chamarajanagar on second



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Sunday of every month between 10.00 a.m.,
and 01.00 p.m., and mark his attendance, till
the investigation is complete and the charge
sheet is filed.

Sd/-
(S VISHWAJITH SHETTY)
JUDGE

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