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NC: 2026:KHC:54189
CRL.P No. 14056 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU
DATED THIS THE 29TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2026
BEFORE
THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY
CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 14056 OF 2026

BETWEEN:

SRI SAGAR
S/O BADARI NARAYANA
AGE ABOUT 24 YEARS
R/AT BEHIND RAMA TEMPLE
K.G.HALLI, BENGALURU - 560 015.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI KRISHNE GOWDA M, ADV.)

AND:

1. STATE OF KARNATAKA
STATE BY GANGAMMANGUDI P.S.
REPT BY STATE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT OF KARNATKA
BENGALORE - 560 001.

2. XXX

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI RAHUL RAI K, HCGP;
NOTICE TO R-2 H/S V/O DTD:29.09.2026)

THIS CRL.P IS FILED U/S 439 CR.PC (FILED U/S 483 BNNS)
PRAYING TO PASS AN ORDER OF BAIL ENLARGING THE PETITIONER
IN CRIME NO.16/2026 OF GANGAMMAGUDI POLICE PENDING
BEFORE THE HONBLE ADDL.CITY AND SESSIONS JUDGE AT
BENGALURU FTSC-I BANGALORE CITY FOR THE OFFENCES P/U/S 78,
79, 351(2)(4) OF BNS AND 12 OF POCSO ACT 2012.

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY



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ORAL ORDER

1. Accused in Crime No.16/2026 registered by Gangamma Gudi Police Station, Bengaluru City, for the offences punishable under Sections 351(2), 351(4) of BNS, 2023, and Section 12 of the POCSO Act, 2012, is before this Court in this petition filed under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023, seeking regular bail.
2. Heard the learned Counsel for the petitioner and learned HCGP for respondent no.1-State. Respondent no.2 who is served in the matter, has remained unrepresented before this Court.
3. FIR in Crime No.16/2026 was registered by Gangamma Gudi Police Station, Bengaluru City, for the offences punishable under Sections 351(2), 351(4) of BNS, 2023, based on the first information received from the victim girl aged 17 years. During the course of investigation, petitioner was arrested on 02.06.2026 and remanded to judicial custody. His bail application filed before the jurisdictional Sessions Court in CrI. Misc. No.7813/2026 was rejected on 19.08.2026. Therefore, petitioner is before this Court.



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4. A reading of the first information as well as the charge sheet filed in the present case would go to show that petitioner and the victim girl are acquainted to each other for the last nearly two years. It is alleged that petitioner was pestering the victim girl to love him and was constantly calling her over phone and asking her to cooperate with him for physical relationship. He allegedly had threatened the victim girl that if she does not cooperate with him, he will send messages to her friends about their relationship. Petitioner allegedly also had posted a photo of the victim girl in the social media and had sent a false message to her friends.

5. Petitioner who has no other criminal antecedents is in custody for the last three months. Investigation of the case is completed and charge sheet is filed. Considering the nature of allegations found in the charge sheet and also the maximum punishment provided for the alleged offences, I am of the opinion that petitioner's prayer for grant of regular bail is required to be answered affirmatively. Accordingly, the following order:



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6. The petition is allowed. The petitioner is directed to be enlarged on bail in Crime No.16/2026 registered by Gangamma Gudi Police Station, Bengaluru City, for the offences punishable under Sections 351(2), 351(4), 78, 79 of BNS, 2023, and Section 12 of the POCSO Act, 2012, subject to the following conditions:

a) Petitioner shall execute personal bond for a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- with two sureties for the likesum, to the satisfaction of the jurisdictional Court;

b) The petitioner shall appear regularly on all the dates of hearing before the Trial Court unless the Trial Court exempts his appearance for valid reasons;

c) The petitioner shall not directly or indirectly threaten or tamper with the prosecution witnesses;

d) The petitioner shall not involve in similar offences in future;

e) The petitioner shall not leave the jurisdiction of the Trial Court without permission



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of the said Court until the case registered against
him is disposed off.

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

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