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NC: 2026:KHC:54186
CRL.P No. 14273 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. 14273 OF 2026

BETWEEN:

BIJU
S/O SUBRAMANI
AGED ABOUT 39 YEARS
R/A HAKKI-PIKKI COLONEY
KASHAPURA, ARASAPURA POST
HOLAVANAHALLI HOBLI
KORATAGERE TALUK
TUMAKURU, PIN CODE - 571 425.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI RAJU C.N, ADV.)

AND:

STATE BY KORATAGERE POLICE
TUMAKURU, REPRESENTED BY SPP
HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BANGALORE
PIN CODE NO. - 560 001.

...RESPONDENT

(BY SRI RAHUL RAI K, HCGP)

THIS CRL.P IS FILED U/S 439 CR.P.C (U/S 483 BNSS)
PRAYING TO ENLARGE THE PETITIONERS ON BAIL IN
CR.NO.183/2026 REGISTERED BY KORATEGERE P.S., TUMAKURU,
PENDING BEFORE THE CIVIL JUDGE JMFC COURT, KORATAGERE,
FOR THE OFFENCES P/U/S 288 AND 352 OF BNS, 2023 U/S 3 AND 4
OF EXPLOSIVE SUBSTANCES ACT, 1908, BY ALLOWING THIS
PETITION.

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



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ORAL ORDER

1. Accused no.3 in Crime No.183/2026 registered by Koratagere Police Station, Tumakuru, for the offences punishable under Sections 3 and 4 of the Explosive Substances Act, 1908 and Sections 288 and 325 of BNS, 2023, is before this Court in this petition filed under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023, seeking regular bail.
2. Heard the learned Counsel for the parties.
3. FIR in Crime No.183/2026 was registered by Koratagere Police Station, Tumakuru, for the aforesaid offences against unknown persons based on the first information dated 18.08.2026 received from Smt. Nagarathnamma, W/o Muddappa. In the said case, petitioner was arrested on 22.08.2026 and remanded to judicial custody. His bail application filed before the jurisdictional Sessions Court in CrI. Misc. No.5329/2026 was rejected on 02.09.2026. Therefore, petitioner is before this Court.



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4. A reading of the first information would reveal that on 17.08.2026, at about 05.45 p.m., pet dog of the first informant found a ball covered with white thread near their house and when the said dog picked up the said ball in its mouth and attempted to bite the same, the said ball suddenly exploded and as a result, the dog died at the spot. It is under these circumstances, FIR was registered against unknown persons on 18.08.2026 at about 16.30 hours. During the course of investigation, petitioner herein were arrested and remanded to judicial custody. According to the prosecution, petitioner along with accused nos.1, 4 & 5 had purchased sulphur and potassium from the shop of accused No.6 and had thereafter tied the same in a cover using thread and had prepared a ball which was being used by them for the purpose of hunting wild animals. It appears that the explosive ball prepared by the accused persons was accidentally bit by the dog and as a result, the ball had exploded and the dog had died. Accused No.6, who had supplied the explosive material to petitioners has been granted regular bail in the present case by the jurisdictional Session Court in Crl. Misc. No.5333/2026 vide



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order dated 10.09.2026. Accused nos.1, 4 & 5 as against whom similar allegations are found, have been granted regular bail by this Court in Crl.P.No.14439/2026 disposed of on 24.09.2026.

5. It appears that as against the petitioners, a similar case is registered by Kodigehalli Police Station, Tumakuru. After the present FIR was registered, petitioner was arrested and during the course of interrogation, they allegedly had confessed to the present crime and it is under these circumstances, they are arraigned as accused in the present case. Major portion of the investigation is already completed. The alleged offences are not punishable with death or life imprisonment. Petitioner has undertaken to abide by the conditions that may be imposed on them by this Court. Accordingly, the following order:-

6. The petition is allowed. The petitioner is directed to be enlarged on bail in Crime No.183/2026 registered by Koratagere Police Station, Tumakuru, for the offences punishable under Sections 3 and 4 of the Explosive Substances Act, 1908 and Sections 288 and 325 of BNS, 2023, subject to the following conditions:



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- a) Petitioner shall execute a 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 of the said Court until the case registered against him is disposed off.

Sd/-
(S VISHWAJITH SHETTY)
JUDGE

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