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NC: 2026:KHC:54543
CRL.P No. 14915 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU
DATED THIS THE 30TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2026
BEFORE
THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY
CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 14915 OF 2026

BETWEEN:

SRI SHANKAR BHAGAVAN (A-5)
S/O BHAGAVAN
AGED ABOUT 34 YEARS
R/AT. NO.1213, BHUVANESHWARI NAGAR
ATTIBELE TOWN, ANEKAL TALUK
BENGALURU DISTRICT - 562 107
(NAME OF THE PETITIONER
MENTIONED AS PER AADHAR
AND ANNEXURE-C)

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI SHIVANANDA REDDY R.V, ADV.)

AND:

STATE OF KARNATAKA
BY SURYANAGARA POLICE STATION
REPTD.BY STATE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT BUILDING
DR. B.R. AMBEDKAR VEEDHI
BENGALURU - 560 001.

...RESPONDENT

(BY SRI RAHUL RAI K, HCGP)

THIS CRL.P IS FILED U/S 438 CR.PC (FILED U/S 482 BNNS)
PRAYING TO ENLARGED HIM AN ANTICIPATORY BAIL IN CRIME
NO.276/2026 SURYANAGARA POLICE SAME IS PENDING BEFORE THE
HONBLE II ADDL.CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC AT ANEKAL REGISTERED
AGAINST HIM FOR THE OFFENCE P/U/S 109, 115(2), 351(2), 352
R/W 3(5) 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

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Location:
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ORAL ORDER

1. Accused No.5 in Crime No.276/2026 registered by Suryanagar Police Station, Bengaluru, for the offences punishable under Sections 109, 115(2), 352, 351(2) and 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.276/2026 was registered by Surayanagar Police Station, Bengaluru, for the aforesaid offences against Kantharaju and others based on the first information dated 01.09.2026 received from Syed Hameed, who is the injured victim in the present case. Apprehending arrest in the case, petitioner had filed Crl.Misc.No.5470/2026, which was rejected by the jurisdictional Sessions Court on 19.09.2026. Therefore, he is before this Court.
4. A reading of the first information would reveal that on the intervening night of 31.08.2026 and 01.09.2026, first informant and his friends had gone out at about 01.00 p.m., to consume lassi at Shell Petrol Bunk. After consuming lassi, he



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allegedly could not transfer the bill amount due to technical problem. Therefore, he requested the person in cash counter to receive his watch with an assurance that the bill amount will be paid by him on the next day. At that time, accused persons, who were standing near the cash counter, allegedly assaulted first informant and his friends. It is in this background, FIR was registered against three named persons and others by Suryanagar Police Station, Bengaluru.

5. During the course of investigation, accused Nos.2 to 4 have been arrested and based on their confession statement, petitioner is also arraigned as accused in the present case. It is not in dispute that petitioner's name is not found in the FIR. In the FIR as well as in the remand application, allegation of assaulting injured victim is against three persons named in the FIR and another. Petitioner is now arraigned as accused No.5 in the remand application of arrested accused. He submits that he has no other criminal antecedents and is ready and willing to cooperate with the police for the purpose of investigation. Injured victim, who had suffered injuries, was admitted in the Hospital and subsequently, discharged and his condition is said



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to be stable. It is not in dispute that accused have not used any weapon to assault the injured victims. Under the circumstances, the following order:-

6. 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 No.276/2026 registered by Suryanagar Police Station, Bengaluru, for the offences punishable under Sections 109, 115(2), 352, 351(2) and 3(5) 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



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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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