

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR

WRIT PETITION No.42876 of 2015

ORDER:

The challenge in this writ petition is to the notice dated 26.10.2015 issued by the Executive Magistrate cum Tahsildar, Mahabubnagar Mandal, Mahabubnagar District, the second respondent. By the said notice, the second respondent exercised powers under Section 122(b) Cr.P.C. and ordered one Katravath Surekha, W/o.Venkat, who is stated to be well acquainted with the petitioner, to pay a sum of Rs.1,00,000/-. This payment was directed in the context of the said Katravath Surekha being bound over for good behaviour on 08.10.2015 for a like sum.

2. The impugned notice reflects that after being bound over, the said Katravath Surekha was implicated in COR No.925/2015-16 in relation to an offence under Section 7-A read with Section 8(e) of the A.P. Prohibition Act, 1995. Owing to her alleged involvement in the said offence,

the second respondent concluded that she committed breach of the bond furnished by her under Section 110 Cr.P.C.

3. This Court is of the opinion that mere arraignment in an offence cannot be taken to be a conviction whereby it could be said that the accused had committed a breach of the bond furnished by her for maintaining good behaviour.

4. Thus, on this count, the impugned notice dated 26.10.2015 is unsustainable and is therefore set aside. As a consequence, the detention of Katravath Surekha owing to the failure to pay the amount of penalty would also be rendered illegal.

The writ petition is allowed. Pending miscellaneous petitions, if any, shall stand closed in the light of this final order. No order as to costs.

JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR

December 31, 2015

Note:- Furnish copy today.

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