

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE RAJA ELANGO

Criminal Petition No.5180 of 2016

ORDER:

This Criminal Petition is filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. seeking to quash proceedings initiated against the petitioner/ accused in Crime No.89 of 2012 of Ongole I Town Police Station, Prakasam District, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 420 IPC and Sections 4 and 5 read with Section 2 (c) and 3 of Prize Chits Money Circulation Scheme (Banning) Act, 1978 and Section 5 of A.P. Protection of Depositors of Financial Establishment Act, 1999.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner/accused and the learned Public Prosecutor and perused the material on record.

Admittedly, a complaint was lodged by the second respondent/*de facto* complainant against the petitioner herein wherein specific allegations are made against him, the truth or otherwise of which can be ascertained only after due investigation into the crime by the investigating agency and the same cannot be determined at the investigation stage.

Having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case and also in view of the nature of offences alleged against the petitioner, this Court is not inclined to interfere with the investigation against the petitioner/accused. However, the Police concerned is directed to complete investigation without arresting

the petitioner herein and file final report in accordance with law. In the event of necessity, the police concerned are at liberty to issue a notice to the petitioner for the purpose of investigation and on receipt of such notice the petitioner shall appear before the police and cooperate with the investigating agency.

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Accordingly, the Criminal Petition is disposed of.
Consequently, miscellaneous petitions, if any,
pending, shall stand closed.

RAJA ELANGO, J

Date: 12-04-2016

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