

HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE RAJA ELANGO

WRIT PETITION No.40081 of 2016

ORDER:

1. This writ petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking to quash the proceedings against the petitioners in FIR No.291 of 2016 on the file of Lalapet Police Station, Guntur District.
2. The above crime was registered for the offence under Section 420 r/w 34 IPC alleging that the petitioners cheated the farmers by supplying the bio products, which contain the residues of pesticides. It is the case of the petitioners that the Joint Director of Agriculture, Guntur issued a notice, for which, they submitted their explanation. But no opportunity was given to them to submit their objections on the analysis report. Without following the procedure, the present complaint was lodged.
3. On 14.12.2016, this Court passed interim order directing the respondents-police concerned not to arrest the petitioners, and further granting liberty to them to proceed with the investigation.
4. Heard and perused the material available on record.
5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and the grievance of the petitioners, without expressing any opinion on merits, the interim order dated 14.12.2016 is made absolute directing respondents Nos.1 to 3 to complete the investigation and file a final report, in accordance with law, without arresting the petitioners. However, the petitioners are directed to appear before the Station House Officer concerned as and when required for the purpose of investigation and they are also directed to execute a personal bond for a sum of Rs.5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only) with one surety each for the like sum each to

the satisfaction of the Station House Officer concerned, as surety for their future appearance as and when required for the purpose of investigation.

6. With the above direction, the Writ Petition is disposed of. No costs. Consequently, miscellaneous petitions pending, if any, shall stand closed.

RAJA ELANGO, J

Date: 27th December, 2016
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