

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE RAJA ELANGO

CRIMINAL PETITION No.2718 OF 2016

ORDER:

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This petition is filed by the petitioners-accused Nos.1 to 4 under Section 482 Cr.P.C. seeking to quash the proceedings against them in Crime No.31 of 2016 on the file of I Town Police Station, Proddatur, YSR Kadapa District, registered for the offence punishable under Sections 323, 354 r/w 34 IPC and Section 3(1)(x) of the SCs & STs (POA) Act.

It is alleged that while the 2nd respondent was doing prayers in the Church, the accused entered into it, stopped mike and abused one Manohar Rao and attempted to pull him from the Pullpeet and when the son of the said Manohar Rao intervened, they shouted at him and beat him. A1 pushed him aside. When the 2nd respondent intervened, A1 by referring to the name of her caste pulled her aside and other accused beat her. All the accused beat her on her chest.

Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and the allegations made in the complaint, this Court is not inclined to grant the relief sought by the petitioners.

At this stage, the learned Counsel for the petitioners submitted that due to the pendency of the above crime, the petitioners apprehend arrest and harassment in the hands of the 1st respondent-police.

In view of the above submission, the 1st respondent-police are directed to complete the investigation and file a final report, if any, without arresting the petitioners. In the event of necessity, the 1st respondent-police are directed to issue notice to the petitioners for their appearance before the investigating agency for the purpose of investigation. On issuance of such notice, the petitioners shall appear before the investigating agency and give an undertaking as to their future appearance as and when required by the investigating agency for the purpose of investigation.

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

JUSTICE RAJA ELANGO

Date : 10.3.2016
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