

HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE C.PRAVEEN KUMAR

CRIMINAL PETITION No.4846 of 2016

ORDER:

The petitioner, who is accused No.1 in Crime No.170 of 2015 of Subedari Police Station, Warangal District, filed the present Criminal Petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. seeking release in the event of his arrest, in connection with the above crime, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 143, 147, 451, 120 (b), 420, 384 and 506 read with 149 IPC.

The case of the prosecution is that one Divya approached the informant and requested him to provide a job, for which he agreed to provide job as and when the vacancy arises. On 28.05.2015 the said Divya called the informant on phone to provide job and he asked her to come to his house. Accordingly, she came to the house of the informant and while they were speaking, six people entered into the house with video cameras and began proclaiming that prostitution was going on, threatened him, got removed his cloths and took photographs and video. It is stated that the accused demanded money, failing which they telecast the same in different channels to show that the informant involved in prostitution.

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent-State.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the allegations made in the report are all false. It is stated that the petitioner is a Reporter in TV9 news channel and only with a view to insult the reporters the present case is foisted.

Learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed the application contending that the petitioner along with others are involved in number of cases and collected huge money by resorting such practice. He submits

that investigation is over, charge sheet is filed and non-bailable warrants are also issued against the petitioner.

Having regard to the nature of allegations made and taking into consideration the fact that the petitioner and others are involving in number of crimes, I am not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner. However, the petitioner shall surrender before the Court concerned and move an application for regular bail after giving prior notice to the Public Prosecutor concerned, in which event the same shall be considered on merits, in accordance with law, on the same day.

With the above direction, the Criminal Petition is disposed of.

C. PRAVEEN KUMAR, J

13.04.2016

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