

**THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE M. SATYANARAYANA MURTHY**

**CRIMINAL PETITION No.2196 OF 2017**

**ORDER:**

This Criminal Petition, under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (for short, 'the Cr.P.C.') is filed to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioner/A.1 apprehending his arrest in connection with Crime No.28 of 2017 of Prathipadu Police Station, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 406, 407 and 420 read with 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (for short, 'I.P.C.').

After arguing the matter for a while, learned counsel for the petitioner requested this court to issue a direction to the investigating agency to follow the procedure contemplated under Section 41-A Cr.P.C. and the guidelines laid down by the Apex Court in **ARNESH KUMAR V. STATE OF BIHAR**<sup>1</sup>.

Acceding to the request made by the counsel for the petitioner, the investigating agency is directed to follow the procedure contemplated under Section 41-A Cr.P.C. and the guidelines laid down by the Apex Court in **ARNESH KUMAR v. STATE OF BIHAR** (1supra), if applicable, to the offences allegedly committed by the petitioner.

With the above direction, the criminal petition is disposed of.

**M. SATYANARAYANA MURTHY, J**

22.03.2017  
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<sup>1</sup> (2014) 8 SCC 273