

**HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE A. SHANKAR NARAYANA**

**CRIMINAL PETITION No.5437 OF 2017**

**ORDER:**

The present Criminal Petition is filed under Section 438 of the Criminal Procedure Code, 1973 (for short, 'the Code') requesting to grant anticipatory bail in Crime No.73 of 2017 of NTPC P.S., Ramagundam, Karimnagar.

2. The petitioners, who are arraigned as accused No.2 to 4, alleged to have committed the offences punishable under Section 498-A of IPC and Sections 3 and 4 of Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961.

3. In fact, it is figuring at Sl.No.227. The learned counsel for the petitioners made a request that there is threat of arrest of the petitioners and what all the petitioners want is to issue notice under Section 41-A of the Code, but not the main relief, which is sought now in the present petition. Therefore, the submission made by the learned counsel can be acceded to.

4. Accordingly, the Criminal Petition is disposed of. However, the Station House Officer, NTPC P.S., Ramagundam, Karimnagar, is directed to resort to the procedure under Section 41-A of the Code and also the guidelines laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in **Arnesh Kumar v. State of Bihar**<sup>1</sup>. Equally, the petitioners are also directed to co-operate with the investigating officer without resorting to evading notice under Section 41-A of the Code.

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

As a sequel thereto, miscellaneous petitions if any pending in the Criminal Petition shall stand closed.

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A.SHANKAR NARAYANA

Dt.13.07.2017

Note:- CC by 14.7.2017.

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