

HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE U.DURGA PRASAD RAO

CRIMINAL PETITION No.3717 of 2018

ORDER.

This Criminal Petition is filed under Section 482 of Cr.P.C. by the petitioner/A.2 seeking to quash the proceedings against him in Cr.No.73 of 2018 of Chaderghat Police Station, Hyderabad, registered for the offences under Section 420, 498-A of I.P.C. and under Section 3 (1) (ii) of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Amendment Act, 2015.

As can be seen from the complaint averments, there is a prima facie accusation against the petitioner/A.2. Investigation is reported to be in initial stage. In that view of the matter, it is not a fit case to quash the proceedings.

Hence, the Investigating Officer must proceed to its logical conclusion. However, the Investigating Officer during the course of investigation shall follow the guidelines of the apex court rendered in *ARNESH KUMAR Vs. STATE OF BIHAR* ⁽¹⁾ and also follow the provision under Section 41-A Cr.P.C. towards the petitioner. In turn, the petitioner shall cooperate with the investigating agency for smooth completion of investigation.

This Criminal Petition is disposed of accordingly.

As a sequel, miscellaneous applications pending if any, shall stand closed.

JUSTICE U.DURGA PRASAD RAO

Dated 11th April, 2018.

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¹ 2014 (3) ACR 2670 (SC)

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