

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE M.SATYANARAYANA MURTHY

CRIMINAL PETITION NO.4379 OF 2018

ORDER:

This criminal petition is filed under Section 482 of Criminal Procedure Code to quash the proceedings in Crime No.23 of 2018 on the file of Srikakulam I Town Police Station, Srikakulam District.

Learned counsel for the petitioner after arguing for sometime, requested this Court to direct the police to follow the procedure laid down under Section 41-A of Cr.P.C and guidelines formulated by the Apex Court in "**Arnesh Kumar v. State of Bihar and another¹**".

Acceding to the request of the learned counsel for the petitioner and without touching the merits of the case, I deem it appropriate to direct the police to follow the guidelines prescribed in **Arnesh Kumar** case. It is needless to mention that the Supreme Court made it clear that violation of guidelines in **Arnesh Kumar** case amounts to Contempt of Court action. Therefore, the Investigation Agency is bound to adhere to the guidelines issued in **Arnesh Kumar** case.

With the above directions, the petition is disposed of.

Consequently, miscellaneous petitions pending, if any, shall also stand closed. No costs.

JUSTICE M. SATYANARAYANA MURTHY

Date:30.04.2018

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¹ (2014) 8 SCC 273