

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE T.SUNIL CHOWDARY

CRIMINAL PETITION No.5476 of 2018

ORDER:

1 This criminal petition is filed by the petitioner under Section 438 Cr.P.C., seeking anticipatory bail in Cr.No.199 of 2017 on the file of the Station House Officer, Khajipet Police Station, YSR Kadapa District, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 506 of IPC and Section 3 (1) (r) (s) SC & ST (POA) Act, 2015.

2 At the time of arguments, the only relief sought by the learned counsel for the petitioner is to direct the concerned Station House Officer to follow the procedure as contemplated under Section 41-A Cr.P.C.

3. In view of the submission made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, this Court is not inclined to go into the merits of the main case.

4. Having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case and also the principle enunciated by the Supreme Court in **Arnesh Kumar v. State of Bihar**¹, the Station House Officer, Khajipet Police Station, YSR Kadapa District, is hereby directed to follow the procedure as contemplated under Section 41-A Cr.P.C. in Crime No.199 of 2017 so far as the petitioner/accused is concerned.

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

T.SUNIL CHOWDARY, J

Date:17.05.2018

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¹ (2014) 8 SCC 273

