THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE M.SATYANARAYANA MURTHY

CRIMINAL PETITION No.5886 of 2018

ORDER:

This petition is filed under Section 482 of Criminal Procedure Code to quash the proceedings in Cr.No.22 of 2018 of Mundlamuru Police Station, Prakasam District, registered for the offence punishable under Section 498-A IPC and under Sections 3 and 4 of Dowry Prohibition Act, against the petitioners/A1 to A4.

2. Heard learned counsel for petitioners and learned Public Prosecutor representing the State.

3. In view of the order of this Court dated 31.07.2017 in Crl.P.No.6493 of 2017, relying upon the latest two Judge Bench expression of the Apex Court dated 27.07.2017 in Crl.A.No.1265 of 2017 (SLP (Crl.) No.2013 of 2017 in ***Rajesh Sharma & Others Vs. State of U.P. & another),*** this is a fit case to refer the matter to the Committee for report to consider any reconciliation.

4. Having regard to the above and as per the directions of the Apex Court, this Criminal Petition is disposed of, while directing the Investigation Officer to investigate, but not to arrest the petitioners/A1 to A4 unless report of the Committee on its constitution is received, however, this order does not prevent him from securing for interrogation as part of investigation.

5. Miscellaneous petitions, if any, pending in this criminal petition shall stand closed.

JUSTICE M. SATYANARAYANA MURTHY

13th June, 2018
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