

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE M. SATYANARAYANA MURTHY

CRIMINAL PETITION No.6556 OF 2018

ORDER:

This criminal petition is filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (for short 'Cr.P.C.') to quash the proceedings in Crime No.107 of 2018 of Maharanipeta Police Station, Visakhapatnam, registered for the offence punishable under Sections 498-A of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 and Section 3 of the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961, on various grounds.

Learned counsel for the petitioners, after arguing the matter for a while, requested this Court to issue a direction to the police, to follow the procedure under Section 41-A Cr.P.C and the guidelines laid down by the Apex Court in **Rajesh Sharma v. State of U.P.**¹, before affecting the arrest of the petitioners.

Acceding to the request of the learned counsel for the petitioners, without touching the merits, I find that it is a fit case to issue direction to the Station House Officer, Maharanipeta Police Station, Visakhapatnam, to follow the procedure provided under Section 41-A of Cr.P.C and the guidelines laid down by the Apex Court in **Rajesh Sharma** case (referred supra). Accordingly, police concerned are directed to adhere to the guidelines issued in **Rajesh Sharma** case (referred supra).

With the above direction, the criminal petition is disposed of at the stage of admission.

M. SATYANARAYANA MURTHY, J

Date: 25.06.2018
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¹ 2017 (2) ALT (Cri.) 393 (SC)