

HONOURABLE JUSTICE G. SRI DEVI

CRIMINAL PETITION No. 2897 of 2019

ORDER:

1. This Criminal Petition is filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. seeking to quash the proceedings in Crime No.1021 of 2018 of Vanasthalipuram, Panga Reddy District, registered against the petitioners/ A.1 to A.6 under the caption “woman missing”.
2. Though the learned counsel for the petitioners/ A.1 to A.6 filed the present petition to quash the proceedings in Crime No.1021 of 2018, he restricts his prayer seeking a direction to the Investigating agency to follow the procedure prescribed under Section 41-A Cr.P.C. and the guidelines prescribed by the Apex Court in *Arnesh Kumar v. State of Bihar and another*¹.
3. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor would submit that the directions of the Apex Court have to be followed and implemented.
4. In that view of the matter, the Criminal Petition is disposed of directing the police concerned to follow the provisions under Section 41-A Cr.P.C. and abide by the directions of the Apex Court as set out in *Arnesh Kumar's case* (supra). No coercive steps shall be taken against the petitioners till filing of the final report.
5. As a sequel thereto, miscellaneous petitions, if any, pending shall stand closed.

17.06.2019
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¹ AIR 2014 SC 2756,