

THE HON'BLE JUSTICE G.SRI DEVI

CRIMINAL PETITION No.2900 of 2019

ORDER:

This Criminal Petition, under Section 482 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, is filed by the petitioners/A.1 to A.4 seeking to quash the proceedings in FIR No.24 of 2019 of Palakeedu Police Station, Suryapet District, registered for the offences punishable under Section 498-A of IPC and Sections 3 and 4 of Dowry Prohibition Act.

2. Heard learned counsel for the petitioners/A.1 to A.4 and learned Additional Public Prosecutor representing the 1st respondent-State and perused the record.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners would contend that the petitioners are innocent and they are falsely implicated in this case. The allegations levelled against the petitioners do not attract the alleged offences and ultimately prayed to allow the petition.

4. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor representing the respondent/State opposed to quash the said proceedings and ultimately prayed to dismiss the petition.

5. The First Information Report reveals that at the time of marriage between A.1 and the *de facto* complainant, parents of the *de facto* complainant have given dowry and other valuables. Both of them lived happily for some time and blessed with a baby boy. Later, A.1 addicted to bad vices and at the instance of A.2 to A.4, harassed the *de facto* complainant mentally and physically for want of additional dowry. Hence, it cannot be said that no cognizable

offences are made out against the petitioners/A.1 to A.4. Therefore, I do not find any cogent reason to quash the FIR.

6. Having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case and the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioners, till completion of investigation, no coercive steps shall be taken against the petitioners/A.2 to A.4. However, if the petitioner No.1/A.1 surrenders before the Court concerned, his bail application can be considered and dispose of the same on the same day.

7. With the above observation, the Criminal Petition is disposed of.

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

17.06.2019
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JUSTICE G.SRI DEVI

