

HONOURABLE JUSTICE G. SRI DEVI

CRIMINAL PETITION NO.6905 OF 2019

ORDER:

This Criminal Petition is filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure seeking quashing of investigation in Crime No.318 of 2019 of Sathupally Police Station, Khammam District, registered against the petitioner/A-4 for the offences punishable under Section 498-A of the Indian Penal Code and Sections 3 and 4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act.

Though the learned counsel for the petitioner/A-4 filed the present petition for quashing of investigation in Crime No.318 of 2019, he restricts his prayer seeking a direction to the Investigating agency to follow the procedure prescribed under Section 41-A of the Code of Criminal Procedure and the guidelines prescribed by the Apex Court in ***Arnesh Kumar v. State of Bihar and another***¹.

Learned Additional Public Prosecutor would submit that the directions of the Apex Court have to be followed and implemented.

In that view of the matter, the Criminal Petition is disposed of directing the police to abide by the directions of the Apex Court as set out in ***Arnesh Kumar case (supra)***. No coercive steps shall be taken against the petitioner/A-4 till filing of the final report.

As a sequel thereto, miscellaneous applications, if any, pending shall stand closed.

30th October 2019
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(G. SRI DEVI, J)

¹ AIR 2014 SC 2756