

HONOURABLE JUSTICE G. SRI DEVI
CRIMINAL PETITION No. 7452 of 2019

ORDER:

1. This Criminal Petition is filed under Section 482 Cr.P.C. seeking quashing of investigation in Crime No.222 of 2018 of Panjagutta Police Station, Hyderabad City, registered against the petitioner and others for the offences punishable under Sections 406 and 420 IPC.

2. Though the learned counsel for the petitioner filed the present petition for quashing of investigation in the above Crime, 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. At this stage, the learned Additional Public Prosecutor would submit that notice under Section 41-A Cr.P.C. has already been issued to the petitioner.

3. Since the petitioner has already been issued notice under Section 41-A IPC, the petitioner is directed to comply with the said notice as per the directions of the Apex Court as set out in *Arnesh Kumar case (supra)*. However, no coercive steps shall be taken against the petitioner till filing of the final report.

4. Accordingly, the Criminal Petition is disposed of. As a sequel thereto, miscellaneous petitions, if any, pending shall stand closed.

JUSTICE G. SRI DEVI

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¹ AIR 2014 SC 2756,

