

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE J. SREENIVAS RAO

CRIMINAL PETITION No. 6932 of 2025

ORDER:

This Criminal Petition is filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (BNSS) by the petitioner/accused No.2 seeking anticipatory bail in the event of his arrest in Crime No.406 of 2025 of Panjagutta Police Station, Hyderabad, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 143 and 144(2) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (BNS) and Sections 3, 4 and 5 of the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956 (for short, 'PITA Act').

2. The case of prosecution in brief is that the Sub Inspector of Police, Panjagutta Police Station, lodged a complaint stating that on credible information, he along with LWs. 6 to 8 and mediators reached the premises 'Sky Beauty Family Saloon and SPA' on 24.05.2025. On enquiry, he came to know that the petitioner and accused No.1 have taken a flat for rent near Errumanzil Metro Station, Hyderabad, and they were using the above flat as brothel house in the name of Sky Beauty Family Saloon & SPA by keeping accused No.3 as manager to manage day to day affairs of the brothel house. The petitioner

and accused No.1 induced LWs.2 to 5 to give good payments for massage, manicure and for pedicure and after sometimes organizers forced the victims to have sex with the customers daily basis by taking the advantage of their financial difficulties and made them to accept for sexual exploitation to earn more money easily. Hence, the complaint.

3. Heard Mr. G. Vasantha Rayudu, learned counsel, representing Mr. V. Prakash, learned counsel for the petitioner, and Mr. Syed Yasar Mamoon, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has not committed the alleged offences and he was falsely implicated in the present crime. Even according to the allegations made in the complaint, Sections 3, 4 and 5 of the PITA Act are not attracted against the petitioner. He further submitted that accused Nos.1 and 3 in this crime were arrested and enlarged on bail. The petitioner is not having any criminal antecedents. The petitioner is ready and willing to cooperate with the investigation and also comply with the

conditions, which are going to be imposed by this Court. Hence, the petitioner may be granted anticipatory bail.

5. *Per contra*, learned Additional Public Prosecutor submitted that the petitioner has committed grave offence and the investigation is under progress. At this stage, if the petitioner is granted anticipatory bail, he will interfere with the investigation and influence the witnesses. Hence, the petitioner is not entitled to seek anticipatory bail.

6. Having considered the rival submissions made by the respective parties and after perusal the material available on record, it reveals that accused Nos.1 and 3 were enlarged on regular bail. Even according to the learned Additional Public Prosecutor, twelve (12) witnesses were examined and the petitioner is not having any criminal antecedents.

7. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances case, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner/accused No.2 with the following conditions:

- (i) The petitioner/accused No.2 is directed to surrender before the Station House Officer, Panjagutta Police Station, Hyderabad, District on or before 28.06.2025 and on such surrender, he shall be enlarged on bail on

his executing a personal bond for a sum of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees fifty thousand only) with two sureties for a like sum each.

- (ii) On such release, the petitioner/accused No.2 shall appear before the Station House Officer, Panjagutta Police Station, Hyderabad, on every Monday at 11:00 a.m. for a period of six (6) weeks or till filing of the charge sheet, whichever is earlier.
- (iii) After release, if the petitioner/accused No.2 indulges in similar offences, the respondent is at liberty to file petition seeking cancellation of bail.
- (iv) The petitioner/accused shall abide by the conditions stipulated under Section 482 (2) of the BNSS and shall cooperate with the Investigating Officer in the investigation.

8. Accordingly, the Criminal Petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, pending if any, shall stand closed.

J.SREENIVAS RAO, J

Date: 23.06.2025
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