

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.12364 of 2025

ORAL ORDER:

Seeking the Court to enlarge the petitioner, who is arrayed as accused No.4 in Crime No.228 of 2025 of Dundigal Police Station, Cyberabad Commissionerate, on bail, the present Criminal Petition is filed.

2. The brief facts of the case are that the complainant, Smt. Bethamcheria Naga Rekha, was running a dairy farm opposite Shikara School, Bowrampet, having 4 cows and 3 calves. On 01.03.2025 at about 04:00 hours, her worker Jhithendra informed her that 2 cows were missing from the farm. She searched for them but could not find them and suspected that unknown persons had stolen the cows.

3. Heard Sri L. Ravi Chander, learned Senior Counsel representing Sri Mayur Mundra, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner as well as Sri D. Arun Kumar, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the respondent – State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner was innocent and had been falsely implicated to bolster the prosecution case and that the alleged offence was not grave, punishable with less than seven years' imprisonment, and custodial detention was therefore unnecessary. He further submitted that the petitioner had pre-existing health issues, including total blindness and a recent hand fracture requiring ongoing medical care, and that his continued detention would cause severe hardship to his dependent family. It was also submitted that the petitioner had no prior criminal record. Therefore, he prayed the Court to grant bail to the petitioner by allowing this criminal petition.

5. On the other hand, learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed the same stating that the allegations leveled against the petitioner are serious in nature. Apart from this case, there are other 31 cases pending against the petitioner. He further submitted that the investigation was not yet completed. Therefore, at this stage, granting of bail to the petitioner does not arise and prayed the Court to dismiss the criminal petition.

6. In the light of the submissions made by both learned counsel and upon perusal of the material available on record, it appears that the petitioner has been in custody since

13.08.2025 and that all the alleged offences relate to the year 2025. As seen from the record, the petitioner was arrayed as an accused based on the confessional statements of other accused. Further, the petitioner is running a medical shop and has undergone surgery for a comminuted fracture at the base of the 5th metacarpal of the right hand, which was treated with ORIF using a 3H Mini Locking Plate (Titanium) 2.0 mm. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, as well as the disability of the petitioner, this Court deems it fit to grant bail to the petitioner.

7. Accordingly, the Criminal Petition is allowed, granting bail to the petitioner, and the conditions and sureties imposed in CrI.P.No.12322 of 2025, vide order dated 24.09.2025, shall apply to the present case in which the petitioner has been granted bail.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

K. SUJANA, J

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