

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AT HYDERABAD

**MONDAY, THE TENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE**

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION NO: 13819 OF 2025

Between:

V. Nageswar Rao, S/o. Ramaswamy, Aged about 60 years, Occ. Former Advocate, R/o. H.No. 1-2-58, No.2 Basthi Yellandu, Bhadradi Kothagudem District.

...PETITIONER/ACCUSED

AND

The State of Telangana,, Rep by Public Prosecutor, High Court for the State of Telanagana at Hyderabad, Hyderabad.

...RESPONDENT/COMPLAINANTS

Petition under Section 482 of BNSS praying that in the circumstances stated in the Memorandum of Grounds of Criminal Petition, the High Court may be pleased to release the petitioner /Accused in the event of his arrest in F.I.R No.115 of 2025, dated 04.08.2025, pending on the file of the Kothagudem I Town Police Station, Bhadradi Kothagudem, pending disposal of the Criminal petition and to pass.

This Petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Memorandum of Grounds of Criminal Petition and upon hearing the arguments of Sri MOHD ISLAMUDDIN ANSARI, Advocate for the Petitioner and Sri E.Ganesh, the Assistant Public Prosecutor on behalf of the sole Respondent.

The Court made the following: ORDER

THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.13819 of 2025

ORDER:

This Criminal Petition is filed for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner who is arrayed as accused in FIR.No.115/2025 before the Kothagudem I Town Police Station, Bhadradri Kothagudem District, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 336(3), 338, 339 and 340 of BNS.

2. The brief facts of the case are that on August 4, 2025, the Chief Administrative Officer reported a complaint prompting a request for action on the forgery alleging that on May 30, 2025, at the District Court complex, Bhadradri Kothagudem, accused V.Nageswara Rao (ex-advocate) allegedly forged signatures of advocates G.Ram Murthy and K.Mahesh Anand. On receipt of the complainant, a case was registered against the accused for the offences as alleged.

3. Heard Sri Mohd Islamuddin Ansari, learned counsel for petitioner, and Sri E.Ganesh, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the respondent - State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent and has no connection with the alleged forged signatures on the C.As filed by the clerk. He contended that the complaint, which was filed at the instance of the learned District Judge, is said to be motivated by mala fide intention to harass the petitioner for lodging a complaint against the appointment of Mr. Mendu Rajamallu as Special Judicial Magistrate. He further contended that the FIR was registered mechanically, without application of mind, as the allegations do not disclose any ingredients of offences under Sections 336(3), 338, 339, or 340 of the BNS. He asserted that the petitioner neither forged any document for cheating nor possessed or used any forged document as genuine. He lamented that the complaint was filed out of vengeance after the petitioner sought to obtain certified copies of Advocate Commissioner's reports. While advocating that the petitioner, having no criminal antecedents, being a law-abiding citizen, undertakes to cooperate with the investigation, he prayed the Court to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioner by allowing this criminal petition.

5. On the other hand, learned Additional Public Prosecutor vehemently opposed the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, stating that the allegations against the petitioner are of a serious nature, which would require his custodial interrogation. Therefore, prayed this Court to dismiss the criminal petition.

6. Having regard to the rival submissions and the material on record, it is noted that the investigation is still in progress and the complaint contains specific set of allegations against the petitioner. Therefore, this Court is not inclined to grant pre-arrest bail at this stage. There are no merits in this Criminal Petition, and the same is liable to be dismissed.

7. Accordingly, the Criminal petition is dismissed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

SD/- B.REKHA RANI
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

6

//TRUE COPY//

SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The Prl. District Judge, Bhadradi Kothagudem
2. The Station House Officer, Kothagudem I Town Police Station, Bhadradi Kothagudem.
3. Two CCs to the PUBLIC PROSECUTOR, High Court at Hyderabad. (OUT)
4. One CC to SRI MOHD ISLAMUDDIN ANSARI Advocate [OPUC]
5. Two CD Copies

HIGH COURT

DATED:10/11/2025



ORDER

CRLP.No.13819 of 2025

CRIMINAL PETITION IS DISMISSED

⑧MT
17/11/25