

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA

AT HYDERABAD

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.14757 of 2025

DATE: 01.12.2025

BETWEEN:

Ithraju Ramesh @ Jagan

.....petitioner/accused No.4

And

The State of Telangana,
Rep. by its Public Prosecutor,
High Court for the State of Telangana at Hyderabad.
Through the S.H.O., Chaitanyapuri Police Station,
Ranga Reddy District.

.....Respondent/complainant

ORDER

This Criminal Petition is filed seeking the Court to enlarge the petitioner, on bail, who is arrayed as accused No.4 in Crime No.887 of 2025 of Chaitanyapuri Police Station, Rachakonda

Commissionerate, registered for the offences punishable under Section 223 of BNS.

2. The brief facts of the case are that on 09.09.2025, the Sub-Inspector of Police, Chaitanyapuri PS, received information that illegal cross massages were being conducted at SK Spa, Mohan Nagar X Road, Kothapet. Basing on the information, he obtained permission from the ACP, conducted a raid with mediators and staff, and found several persons engaged in cross massages without proper authorization or professional qualifications. The premises lacked CCTV cameras, therapist certificates, and customer records. The police seized five mobile phones and one register from the scene and arrested five persons.

3. Heard Sri Mutyala Muralidhar, 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 falsely implicated in the case without any independent evidence and solely on the basis of the statement of

a co-accused, which has no evidentiary value under law. He further submitted that the investigation was substantially completed and the petitioner was no longer required for custodial interrogation. 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 submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner stating that the allegations leveled against the petitioner are heinous in nature. Further, the investigation was not yet completed. At this stage, granting of bail to the petitioner does not arise. Therefore, he prayed the Court to dismiss the criminal petition.

6. In the light of the submissions made by both the learned counsel and a perusal of the material available on record, it appears that the petitioner is in jail since 12.09.2025. As seen from the record, the material part of the investigation has been completed and L.Ws.1 to 16 witnesses have been examined. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and the incarceration period of the petitioner, this Court deems it fit to grant bail to the petitioner, subject to the following conditions:

- i. The petitioner shall execute a personal bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) each, with two sureties for a like sum each to the satisfaction of the learned Special Sessions Judge for the Trial and Disposal of Cases under POCSO Act, Ranga Reddy District at L.B. Nagar.
- ii. The petitioner shall appear before the concerned SHO at 11:00 a.m., on every Monday for a period of eight (8) week or till filing of charge sheet whichever is earlier, for the purpose of investigation, and thereafter, as and when required.
- iii. The petitioner shall abide by the conditions stipulated in Section 437(3) of Cr.P.C.(presently, Section 480(3) of the BNSS).

8. Accordingly, the Criminal petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

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