

THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.15183 of 2025

ORAL ORDER:

The Criminal Petition is filed praying this Court to grant pre arrest bail to the petitioners who are arrayed as accused Nos.2 to 4 in Crime No.379 of 2025 before the Narkatpally Police Station, Nalgonda District, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 109(1) and 85 of BNS.

2. The brief facts of the case are that, on 14.11.2025, the *de facto* complainant lodged a report before the police stating that she had married accused No.1 on 25.08.2021 and was blessed with a baby girl. For the past four years, petitioners had subjected her to abuse and physical assault. On 27.10.2025, the petitioners allegedly conspired to kill her. Pursuant to their plan, accused No.1 beat the complainant with a bat, causing her to lose consciousness. Thereafter, he attempted to hang her. However, she managed to escape and subsequently went to the hospital for treatment. Accordingly, she requested the police to take necessary action. Based on the said complaint, the police registered a case for the alleged offences.

3. Heard Sri Sanjeeva Reddy Garlapati, learned counsel for petitioners, and Sri D. Arun Kumar, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for respondent – State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocent and that there are no specific allegations against them except a vague assertion that they instigated accused No.1 to assault the complainant and that there was an inordinate delay in lodging the complaint before the police. He further submitted that the *de-facto* complainant did not suffer any injuries and contended that petitioner No.1, being employed in the Revenue Department, and petitioner No.3, serving as a school teacher, were present in their respective offices at the time of the alleged incident. Therefore, he prayed the Court to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners by allowing the criminal petition.

5. On the other hand, the learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioners, contending that there are serious allegations leveled against them. However, he submitted that the injuries said to have been sustained by the *de-facto* complainant are simple in nature.

6. Having regard to the rival submissions made and on perusal of the material placed on record, it is observed that the petitioners are the mother-in-law, father-in-law and sister-in-law of the *de-facto* complainant and that there is an unexplained delay of more than fifteen days in lodging the report before the Police and that the injuries sustained by the complainant are simple in nature. In these circumstances, this Court is of the considered opinion that custodial interrogation of the petitioners is not warranted and deems it appropriate to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioners, subject to compliance with the following conditions:

- i. The petitioners shall surrender before the Station House Officer, Narkatpally Police Station, Nalgonda District, within two weeks from today, and on such surrender, the said Station House Officer shall release petitioners on bail, on their executing a personal bond for Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) each, with two sureties, for the like sum each.
- ii. The petitioners shall abide by the other conditions stipulated in Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 and co-operate with the Investigating Officer in investigating the case.
- iii. The petitioners shall appear before the concerned Investigating Officer on every Wednesday between

09:00 a.m, and 05:00 p.m., till the filing of the charge sheet and thereafter, as and when required.

7. Accordingly, this Criminal Petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

K. SUJANA, J

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