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CRL.P No. 15431 of 2026

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 28TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 15431 OF 2026

BETWEEN:

PURUSHOTHAMA @ PURSHI
@ PURUSHOTHAMA J.V
S/O VENKATESH MURTHY
AGED ABOUT 24 YEARS
KORATAGERE TALUK
R/AT UPPARA BEEDHI
PERMANENT R/O JAMPENAHALLI
VILLAGER, C.N. DURGHA HOBLI
KORATAGERE TALUK
TUMAKURU DIST.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI MOHAMMED UMMAR FAROOQ, ADV.)

AND:

STATE BY KORATAGERE POLICE
STATION, REPRESENTED BY ITS
STATE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT BUILDING
BANGALORE - 560 001.

...RESPONDENT

(BY SRI CHANNAPPA ERAPPA, HCGP)

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Location: HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA

THIS CRL.P IS FILED U/S.439 (FILED U/S.483 BNSS) CR.P.C PRAYING TO ENLARGE THE PETITIONER/ACCUSED NO.1 ON BAIL IN CRIME NO.14/2024 (C.C.NO.425/2025) OF KORATAGERE POLICE STATION FOR THE OFFENCE P/US/ 323,342,363,386,395,397 OF IPC PENDING ON THE FILE CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC KORATAGERE BY ALLOWING THE APPLICATION BY IMPOSING ANY CONDITIONS TO THE SATISFACTION OF THIS HONBLE COURT.

THIS PETITION, COMING ON FOR ORDERS, THIS DAY, ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY

ORAL ORDER

Accused No.3 in Crime No.14/2024 registered by Koratagere Police Station, Tumakuru for the offences punishable under Section 323, 342, 363, 386, 395 and 397 of IPC, 1860, is before this Court in this petition filed under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023 seeking regular bail.

2. Heard the learned counsel for the parties.

3. The petitioner, who is arrayed as accused No.3 in the charge sheet, was arrested at the crime stage on 08.01.2024 and subsequently released on bail on 25.01.2024 by the jurisdictional Sessions Court. For the reason that the petitioner had not appeared before the Court after being released on bail, coercive steps were taken against him, and he is now arrested and remanded to custody on 13.08.2026. His bail application filed thereafter before the jurisdictional Sessions Court in

Crl.Misc.No.5339/2026 was rejected on 11.09.2026. Therefore, he is before this Court.

4. It is not in dispute that, on the merits of the case, the petitioner who was arrested in the present case, was subsequently granted regular bail. He is now arrested and remanded to custody on 13.08.2026 only for the reason that he had not appeared before the Court on the regular dates of hearing.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner has brought to the notice of this Court that the petitioner was arrested in S.C.No.5038/2023 on 17.05.2025 and he was granted regular bail in the said case by this Court in Crl.P.No.2429/2026 on 02.06.2026. It appears that, since the petitioner was in custody in S.C.No.5038/2023, pending before the Court of the IV Additional District and Sessions Judge, Tumakuru, he could not appear before the Court in the present case. Therefore, coercive steps were

taken against him and he is now remanded to judicial custody.

6. Under the circumstances, I am of the opinion that the prayer made by the petitioner for grant of regular bail needs to be answered affirmatively, subject to appropriate conditions. Accordingly, the following:

ORDER

i) The Criminal Petition is **allowed**.

ii) The petitioner is directed to be enlarged on bail in Crime No.14/2024 registered by Koratagere Police Station, Tumakuru for the offences punishable under Section 323, 342, 363, 386, 395 and 397 of IPC, 1860, subject to the following conditions:

a) The petitioner shall execute personal bond for a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- with two sureties for the likesum, to the satisfaction of the jurisdictional Court;

b) The petitioner shall appear regularly on all the dates of hearing before the Trial Court unless the Trial Court exempts his appearance for valid reasons;

c) The petitioner shall not directly or indirectly threaten or tamper with the prosecution witnesses;

d) The petitioner shall not involve in similar offences in future;

e) The petitioner shall not leave the jurisdiction of the Trial Court without permission of the said Court until the case registered against him is disposed off.

f) The petitioner shall appear before the Station House Officer (S.H.O) of Koratagere Police Station, Tumakuru on every third Sunday of the month between 10.00 a.m. and 1.00 p.m. and mark his attendance regularly for a period of one year from the date of his release from custody.

Sd/-
(S VISHWAJITH SHETTY)
JUDGE

SHS/List No.: 1 Sl No.: 101