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CRL.P No. 15835 of 2026

CNR: KAHC010709322026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 4TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 15835 OF 2026

BETWEEN:

VINAY KUMAR K.S
S/O K.S SIDDARAJU
AGED ABOUT 43 YEARS,
R/AT NO.3/130, ARADHYA ROAD
NEAR SOCIETY WARD NO.7
YELANDUR TOWN
CHAMARAJANAGARA - 571 441.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI ANIL KUMAR A.S, ADV., FOR
SRI PARAMESWARAPPA C, ADV.)

AND:

STATE OF KARNATAKA
YELANDUR POLICE STATION
CHAMARAJANAGARA
CHAMARAJNAGAR - 571 441
REPRESENTED BY THE STATE
PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA
BENGALURU - 560 001.

...RESPONDENT

(BY SRI RAHUL RAI K, HCGP)

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Location: HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA

THIS CRL.P IS FILED U/S 438 CR.PC (FILED U/S 482 BNSS) PRAYING TO ALLOW THIS PETITION AND THEREBY PLEASED TO GRANT ANTICIPATORY BAIL DIRECTING THE RESPONDENT POLICE TO RELEASE HIM ON BAIL IN THE EVENT OF HIS ARREST IN CONNECTION WITH THE CRIME NO.139/2026 OF THE YALANDUR POLICE STATION PENDING ON THE FILE OF THE LEARNED CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC AT YALANDUR, CHAMARAJANAGAR DISTRICT FOR THE OFFENCES PUNISHABLE UNDER SECTION 316(4), 318, 314 AND 62 OF THE BHARATIYA NYAYA SANHITA (BNS) 2023.

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY

ORAL ORDER

1. Accused in Crime No.139/2026 registered by Yelandur Police Station, Chamarajanagar District, for the offences punishable under Sections 316(4), 318, 314, 62 of BNS, 2023, is before this Court under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023, seeking anticipatory bail.

2. Heard the learned Counsel for the parties.

3. FIR in Crime No.139/2026 was registered by Yelandur Police Station, for the aforesaid offences against the petitioner herein based on the first information dated 19.08.2026 received from Veera Venkatanarayana Chekuri of Karuna Trust, Yelandur Taluk, Chamarajanagar District. Apprehending arrest in the said case, petitioner had approached the jurisdictional Sessions Court in Crl. Misc. No.373/2026, which was rejected on 22.09.2026. Therefore, he is before this Court.

4. In the typed first information dated 19.08.2026, it is stated that petitioner was earlier working as First Division

Assistant and Accountant in Karuna Trust. It appears that petitioner was removed from service with effect from 15.04.2025. First information is now filed on 19.08.2026 alleging that petitioner has misappropriated the funds of the Trust while he was in service. The allegation with regard to misappropriation appears to be omnibus in nature.

5. Petitioner has undertaken to cooperate with the police for the purpose of investigation. Considering the fact that the complaint is filed after a delay of more than one year from the date petitioner was removed from service and also taking into consideration the nature of allegation, I am of the opinion that petitioner's prayer for grant of anticipatory bail is required to be answered affirmatively. Accordingly, the following order:

6. The petition is allowed. The respondent - Police or any other police in the State of Karnataka are directed to release the petitioner in the event of his arrest in Crime No.139/2026 registered by Yelandur Police Station, Chamarajanagar District, for the offences punishable under Sections 316(4), 318, 314, 62 of BNS, 2023, subject to the following conditions:

1. The Petitioner shall appear before the Investigating Officer within 15 days from the date of receipt of the copy of this order and shall execute a personal bond for a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- with two sureties for the likesum to the satisfaction of the investigating officer.

2. Petitioner shall regularly appear before the Trial Court without fail unless exempted by the Trial Court for valid reasons.

3. Petitioner shall not tamper with the prosecution witness and he shall co-operate with the police for investigation and appear before them whenever called upon.

4. The petitioner shall not involve in similar offences in future.

Sd/-
(S VISHWAJITH SHETTY)
JUDGE

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