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CRL.P No. 15795 of 2026

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 30TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 15795 OF 2026

BETWEEN:

SRI KISHORE KUMAR,
S/O SHIVAREDDY,
AGED ABOUT 29 YEARS,
R/O NAGIREDDIGARIPALLI VILLAGE,
SRINIVASAPURA TALUK,
KOLAR DISTRICT - 563161.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI SURESHA M, ADVOCATE)

AND:

THE STATE OF KARNATAKA,
REPTD. BY ITS STATE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
HIGH COURT BUILDINGS,
BENGALURU - 560 009.
THROUGH GOWNPALLI P.S.,
KOLAR DISTRICT - 563 161.

...RESPONDENT

(BY SRI CHANNAPPA ERAPPA, 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) TO ENLARGE THE PETITIONER ON ANTICIPATORY BAIL IN THE EVENT OF HIS ARREST IN CONNECTION WITH CRIME NO.64/2026 REGISTERED BY THE GOWNPALLY POLICE STATION, KOLAR DISTRICT, FOR THE OFFENCES ALLEGED UNDER THE 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

Accused No.1 in Crime No.64/2026 registered by Gownapalli Police Station, Kolar, for offences punishable under Sections 115(2), 118(1), 118(2), 190, 324(2), 329(4), 351(2), 352 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, is before this Court in this petition filed under Section 482 of the BNSS, 2023, seeking anticipatory bail.

2. Heard learned counsel for the parties.

3. FIR in Crime No.64/2026 was registered by Gownapalli Police Station, Kolar, for the aforesaid offences against the petitioner and others, based on the first information dated 13.09.2026, received from G.V.Manjunatha who is the injured victim in the present case. Apprehending arrest, petitioner had approached the jurisdictional Sessions Court in Crl.Misc.No.935/2026 which was rejected on 30.09.2026 against him. Therefore, he is before this Court.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner after reiterating the grounds urged in the petition, submits that there is a case and counter case in respect of the alleged incident that had taken place on 12.09.2026. Petitioner having no other criminal antecedents, is ready and willing to cooperate with the police for the purpose of investigation. Accordingly, prays to allow the petition.

5. *Per contra,* learned High Court Government Pleader opposes the petition and prays for dismissal of the petition.

6. Reading of the first information dated 13.09.2026 submitted by injured victim would go to show that on 12.09.2026, at about 4.30 p.m., when he was driving his two wheeler in which his minor daughter was also sitting, he accidentally touched the rice bags belonging to Sarojamma and Chandramma. Therefore, there was a quarrel between the parties and first informant allegedly apologized for the accidental mistake committed by him. Subsequently, at about 6.30 p.m. on the same day, petitioner who came along with others armed with axe, after abusing the first informant and his

wife, assaulted the first informant with the axe and as a result, the right ring finger of the first informant was amputated. In addition to the same, he has suffered certain other injuries.

7. It is under these circumstances, FIR was registered against the petitioner and others in Crime No.64/2026. Since the petitioner came in search of the first informant subsequent to the alleged incident that had taken place at about 16:30 hours on the same day, armed with axe and as a result of the assault made by the petitioner, the first informant has suffered grievous injuries resulting in amputation of one of his finger, I am of the opinion that the prayer made by the petitioner for grant of anticipatory bail cannot be entertained. Accordingly, petition is ***dismissed***.

Sd/-
(S VISHWAJITH SHETTY)
JUDGE

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