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CRL.P No. 15760 of 2026

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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU**

**DATED THIS THE 5TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2026**

**BEFORE**

**THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY**

**CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 15760 OF 2026**

**BETWEEN:**

1. MR VARUN G.L
S/O MR LOKESH
AGED ABOUT 23 YEARS
R/AT GOPALAPURA VILLAGE
KASABA HOBLI, MANDYA TALUK
MANDYA DISTRICT - 571 401.

2. MR. SHREYAS N
S/O MR NAGARAJ H.P
AGED ABOUT 26 YEARS
R/AT B HOSUR VILLAGE
KASABA HOBLI, ANDYA TALUK
MANDYA DISTRICT 571 401.

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI RAVINDRA PRASAD B, ADV.)

**AND:**

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Location: HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA

THE STATE OF KARNATAKA
BY MANDYA CENTRAL POLICE STATION
STATION HOUSE OFFICER
MANDYA DISTRICT
REPRESENTED BY STATE PUBLIC
PROSECUTOR, KARNATAKA HIGH COURT
BANGALORE - 560 001.

...RESPONDENT

(BY SRI CHANNAPPA ERAPPA, HCGP)

THIS CRL.P IS FILED U/S 438 CR.PC (FILED U/S 482 BNNS) PRAYING TO ALLOW THIS PETITION AND GRANT THE ANTICIPATORY BAIL IN FAVOUR OF THE PETITIONER IN CRIME NO.129/2026 P/U/S 189(2), 115(2), 118(1), 74, 351(2), 352 AND 190 OF BNS 2023 FILED BY THE MANDYA CENTRAL POLICE STATION, MANDYA TOWN

CIRCLE PENDING ON THE FILE OF THE II ADDL.SR.CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC COURT, MANDYA.

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 Nos.1 and 4 in Crime No.129/2026 registered by Mandya Central Police Station, Mandya, for the offences punishable under Sections 189(2), 115(2), 118(1), 74, 351(2), 352 and 190 of BNS, 2023, are before this Court in this petition filed under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023, seeking anticipatory bail.

2. Heard the learned counsel for the parties.

3. FIR in Crime No.129/2026 was registered by Mandya Central Police Station, Mandya, against petitioners herein and others based on first information dated 16.09.2026 received from Smt. Savitha, who is one of the injured victims in the present case. Apprehending arrest in the case, petitioners had approached the jurisdictional Sessions Court in Crl.Misc.No.902/2026, which was rejected as against them on 05.10.2026. Therefore, they are before this Court.

4. Material on record would go to show that accused named in the FIR and the family of the injured persons have certain dispute between themselves and it is in this background, on the night of 16.09.2026, parties had fought against each other and in respect of the alleged incident, there is a case and counter case registered by Mandya Central Police Station, Mandya in Crime No.129/2026 and Crime No.132/2026. FIR in the present case is registered as against 13 persons. It is brought to the notice of this Court that except the petitioners herein, all the other persons have been granted anticipatory bail in the present case.

5. A reading of the first information would reveal that allegation of assaulting the injured victims is not specific and they are omnibus in nature. Learned HCGP has brought to the notice of this Court that except Yashwanth Gowda, who is one of the injured in the present case, all others have suffered only simple injuries and Yashwanth Gowda had suffered one grievous injury, which is a fracture of his left arm. However, a reading of the first information would reveal that no overt act is

attributed specifically as against the petitioners herein which would have caused grievous injuries on Yashwanth Gowda, who is one of the injured victims in the present case. Petitioners have undertaken to cooperate with the police for the purpose of investigation. Learned HCGP has brought to the notice of this Court that petitioners do not have any criminal antecedents. Under the circumstances, 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 petitioners in the event of their arrest in Crime No.129/2026 registered by Mandya Central Police Station, Mandya, for the offences punishable under Sections 189(2), 115(2), 118(1), 74, 351(2), 352 and 190 of BNS, 2023, subject to the following conditions:

> 1. The Petitioners 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/- each with two sureties for the likesum to the satisfaction of the investigating officer.

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

3. Petitioners shall not tamper with the prosecution witnesses and they shall co-operate with the police for investigation and appear before them whenever called upon.

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

**Sd/-**
**(S VISHWAJITH SHETTY)**
**JUDGE**

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