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CRL.P No. 16061 of 2026

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 22ND DAY OF OCTOBER, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE G BASAVARAJA

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 16061 OF 2026

BETWEEN:

RAHAN M.P.,
S/O RAFEEQ P.R.,
AGED ABOUT 19 YEARS,
RESIDING AT M.P.HOUSE,
ETIKULAM, RAMANTHALI POST,
PAYYANUR SUB - DISTRICT,
KANNUR DISTRICT,
KERALA STATE - 670 308.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. NISHIT KUMAR SHETTY., ADVOCATE)

AND:

Digitally signed by LAKSHMINARAYAN N
Location: High Court of Karnataka

STATE OF KARNATAKA,
BY SHO, MANGALORE SOUTH
POLICE STATION,
REPRESENTED BY
STATE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
HIGH COURT BUILDING,
BANGALORE - 560 001.

...RESPONDENT

(BY SRI.G.S.NAGHARISH, HCGP)

THIS CRL.P. IS FILED U/S 439 CR.P.C (U/S 483 BNSS) PRAYING TO ORDER FOR THE RELEASE OF THE PETITIONER ON

REGULAR BAIL IN CR.NO.196/2026 REGISTERED BY MANGALURU SOUTH P.S., FOR THE OFFENCES P/U/S 140(3), 127(2), 115(2), 118(1), 351(2), 352, 109 R/W 190 OF BNS, U/S 116(2) OF KARNATAKA EDUCATION ACT, 1983, PENDING BEFORE THE II ADDL. SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE AND CJM COURT, MANGALURU.

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE G BASAVARAJA

ORAL ORDER

The petitioner has filed petition under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023 for grant of regular bail in Crime No.196 of 2026 of Mangaluru South Police Station, Mangaluru City for the offences punishable under Sections 140(3), 127(2), 115(2), 118(1), 351(2), 352, 109 read with Section 190 of BNS and Section 116(2) of Karnataka Education Act, 1983 pending on the file of II Additional Senior Civil Judge and CJM Court, Mangaluru.

2. I have heard the arguments of learned counsel for the petitioner and learned High Court Government Pleader for respondent/ State.

3. It is submitted by the learned counsel for the petitioner that the Co-ordinate Bench of this Court has granted bail to accused Nos.1, 2, 5 and 6 in Criminal Petition No.15881 of 2026 connected with Criminal Petition No.15962 of 2026 by order dated 17.10.2026. The present petitioner is accused No.8. The Co-ordinate Bench of this Court has already assigned reasons for granting bail to accused Nos.1, 2, 5 and 6.

4. The allegations made against the present petitioner and accused Nos.1, 2, 5 and 6 are one and the same. Hence, in view of principle of parity, I proceed to pass the following:

O R D E R

(i) The criminal petition is ***allowed***.

(ii) The petitioner/accused No.8 is directed to be enlarged on bail in Crime No.196 of 2026 of Mangaluru South Police Station, Mangaluru City for the offences punishable under Sections 140(3), 127(2), 115(2), 118(1), 351(2), 352, 109 read with Section 190 of BNS and Section 116(2) of Karnataka Education Act, 1983 pending on the file of II Additional Senior Civil Judge and CJM Court, Mangaluru, subject to the following conditions:

a) The petitioner/Accused No.8 shall execute a personal bond for a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- with one surety for the likesum, to the satisfaction of the jurisdictional Court;

b) The petitioner/Accused No.8 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/Accused No.8 shall not directly or indirectly threaten or tamper with the prosecution witnesses;

d) The petitioner/Accused No.8 shall not involve in similar offences in future;

e) The petitioner/Accused No.8 shall not leave the jurisdiction of the Trial Court without permission of the said Court until the case registered against him is disposed off.

5. Registry is directed to issue certified copy of this order by hand to the learned counsel for the petitioner.

6. In view of the disposal of the main petition, pending interlocutory application, if any, shall stand disposed of.

Sd/-
(G BASAVARAJA)
JUDGE

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