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CRL.P No. 16495 of 2026

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 6TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 16495 OF 2026

BETWEEN:

SRI SHREENIVAS RAV C.S
S/O C.S. SAMPANGI RAMAIAH
AGED ABOUT 59 YEARS
R/AT LAKSHMI VENKATESHWARA NILAYA
GANGALUR ROAD, NEAR KANAKANA
COMPOUND, M.V. LAYOUT HOSAKOTE
BENGALURU DISTRICT.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI H.V. PRAVEEN GOWDA, ADV.)

AND:

THE STATE BY HOSAKOTE POLICE STATION
REP. BY STATE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA
BENGALURU - 560 009.

...RESPONDENT

(BY SRI CHANNAPPA EERAPPA, HCGP)

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Location: HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA

THIS CRL.P IS FILED U/S 439 CR.PC (FILED U/S 483 BNNS) PRAYING TO PASS AN ORDER ENLARGING HIM ON REGULAR BAIL IN CRIME NO. 0244/2026 OF HOSAKOTE POLICE STATION, REGISTERED FOR THE ALLEGED OFFENCES PUNISHABLE UNDER SECTIONS 318(4), 336(2), 336(3), 337, 338, 340(2) AND 61(1) OF THE BHARATIYA NYAYA SANHITA, 2023, PENDING BEFORE THE HON'BLE PRINCIPAL CIVIL JUDGE (SR. DN.) AND CJM COURT, HOSAKOTE, BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT.

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

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CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S VISHWAJITH SHETTY

ORAL ORDER

1. Accused No.6 in Crime No.244/2026 registered by Hosakote Police Station, Bengaluru District, for the offences punishable under Sections 318(4), 336(2), 336(3), 337, 338, 340(2) and 61(1) of BNS, 2023, 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. FIR in Crime No.244/2026 was registered by Hosakote Police Station, Bengaluru District, for the aforesaid offences against Smt. Rajamma and others, based on the first information dated 19.09.2026 received from Tahsildar, Hosakote Taluk. His bail application filed before the jurisdictional Sessions Court in Crl.Misc.No.2250/2026 was rejected on 17.08.2026. Therefore, he is before this Court.

4. It is brought to the notice of this Court that accused Nos.1 and 7 had approached this Court in Crl.P.No.15899/2026

C/w Crl.P.No.15878/2026 seeking anticipatory bail. The said petitions were allowed by this Court on 02.11.2026. In paragraph Nos.4 to 6 of the order passed in the aforesaid criminal petitions, it is observed as follows:-

> *"4. Documents made available to this Court along with these petitions would reveal that the Special Deputy Commissioner for Inams Abolition, under proceedings bearing No.2591/1962-63, had passed an order granting certain items of land at Baguru Village, Anugondanahalli Hobli, Hosakote Taluk. Based on the said order, it appears that accused No.2, who is the son of accused No.1, had filed an application for change of revenue entries in respect of certain item of land, which was the subject matter of the aforesaid grant order, in the name of accused No.1, who is his mother.*
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> *5. The allegation against accused No.2 is that, with the help of accused No.6 and other accused persons, he had managed to make changes in the original order of grant passed by the Special Deputy Commissioner for Inams Abolition in proceedings bearing No.2591/1962-63. It appears that, subsequently certified copies of certain documents were issued based on the changes made in the original order passed in proceedings bearing*

No.2591/1962-63. Accused No.7, who was working as a Shirestedar, had allegedly issued the certified copies.

6. It is under these circumstances, accused Nos.1 and 7 are also named in the FIR registered in the present case for the aforesaid offences. Accused No.1 is a lady aged about 72 years, and the records would reveal that the application for change of Khatha in her name was filed by her son, accused No.2-Manjunath, who is said to have been arrested and remanded to judicial custody. Accused No.7 is also a lady aged about 43 years working as a Shirestedar in the Tahasildar Office, Hosakote."

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that petitioner is working as SDA in the office of the Tahsildar at Hoskote, Bengaluru Rural District and petitioner has no other criminal antecedents. He has undertaken to co-operate with the police for the purpose of investigation. Under the circumstances, the following order:-

6. The criminal petition is allowed. The petitioner is directed to be enlarged on bail in Crime No.244/2026 registered by

Hosakote Police Station, Bengaluru District, for the offences punishable under Sections 318(4), 336(2), 336(3), 337, 338, 340(2) and 61(1) of BNS, 2023, subject to the following conditions:

a) Petitioner shall execute a 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.

Sd/-
(S VISHWAJITH SHETTY)
JUDGE

DN/List No.: 1 Sl No.: 74