

**IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AT
HYDERABAD**

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.425 of 2026

DATE: 22.01.2026

Between:

Rajireddy Gaddam and others

.... Petitioners/accused Nos.1 to 4

AND

The State of Telangana,
Rep. by its Public Prosecutor,
High Court for the State of Telangana.

.... Respondent

ORDER:

This Criminal Petition is filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS') for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioners, who are arrayed as accused Nos.1 to 4 in Crime No.2 of 2026 of Koheda Police Station, Siddipet District, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 420, 467, 471, 468, 506 r/w 120b of the IPC.

2. The case of the prosecution is that, on 03.01.2026, the de-facto complainant lodged a report before the police stating that he is the owner and possessor of agricultural land to an extent of 1.12 acres at Sriramulapally village and accused No.1 with an intention to occupy the complainant's land, created a fake document and he falsely showed the complainant's boundary names and used it as a genuine document, which was then registered in the name of his son and accused Nos.3 and 4 are witness for the said document and when questioned the same, they threatened him with dire consequences. Hence, he requested for necessary action. Basing on the said complainant, the police registered a case for the above said offences.

3. Heard Sri A. Ravinder Reddy, learned senior counsel representing Sri Jella Srikanth, learned counsel for the petitioners as well as Sri D. Arun Kumar, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the respondent – State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners herein are innocent of the said allegations, except vague allegations, there are no specific allegations against the

petitioners to attract any of the said offences and in fact, the de-facto complainant already filed a suit in the year 2020 for perpetual injunction for the same subject property. Despite having chosen the civil remedy and with the sole intention of giving a criminal colour to a purely civil dispute, the de-facto complainant has now lodged a false complaint before the police against the petitioners, therefore, the custodial interrogation of the petitioners is not required for further investigation as the allegations against the petitioners are forgery of the document and prayed the Court to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioners by allowing this criminal petition.

5. On the other hand, learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed the submissions made by learned counsel for petitioners stating that the allegations against the petitioners herein are serious in nature and the custodial interrogation of the petitioners is required for further investigation. Therefore, he prayed the Court to dismiss the Criminal Petition.

6. In the light of the submissions made by both the learned counsel and on a perusal of the material available on record, the petitioners herein are arrayed as accused Nos.1 to 4 and accused No.1 executed a registered will deed in the

name of accused No.2, though the property does not belong to him and the de-facto complainant filed a suit for perpetual injunction in O.S.No.36 of 2020 for the same property. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and also the allegations against the petitioners, as it is only to the extent of forgery of document, the custodial interrogation of the petitioners is not required and this Court deems it fit to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioners, subject to the following conditions:

- i. The petitioners shall surrender before the Station House Officer, Koheda Police Station, Siddipet District, within two weeks from today, and on such surrender, the said Station House Officer shall release them on bail on executing a personal bond for Rs.25,000/- each, with two sureties, for the like sum each.
- ii. The petitioners shall abide by the other conditions stipulated in Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 and co-operate with the

Investigating Officer in investigating the case.

- iii. The petitioners shall appear before the concerned Investigating Officer on every Monday between 09:00 a.m, and 05:00 p.m., for a period of 8 weeks or till the filing of the charge sheet, whichever is earlier, and thereafter, as and when required.

7. Accordingly, this Criminal Petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

K. SUJANA, J

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