

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

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.742 of 2026

DATE: 05.02.2026

BETWEEN:

Kadari Anjaiah

..... Petitioner/Accused

And

The State of Telangana,
Rep. by its Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Telangana at Hyderabad.

..... 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 petitioner-accused in Crime No.4 of 2026 before the Devarakonda Police Station, Nalgonda District, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 318(4), 308(2) and 351(2) of BNS.

2. The brief facts of the case are that, the *de-facto* complainant lodged a report before the police, stating that the accused, a

real-estate businessman, and one known person introduced him for a sale of the plot to the accused, for a consideration of Rs.69,50,000/-, with the complainant acting as mediator. On 22.12.2025, the accused convinced the mediator and the sellers by promising to pay the full amount and kept the money in Bhushan's office. The complainant then took both parties to the registration office, where the registration process was completed. After registration, however, accused misled and deceived them, took away the total amount of Rs.69,50,000/- along with the linked documents from the office, pushed them aside, and fled. When the complainant later called him, believing him to be an acquaintance and tried to speak with him, the accused threatened to kill them. Thus, the accused deceived them, gained their trust, and after securing registration, threatened them and absconded with the money. The total amount extorted was Rs.69,50,000/-. Therefore, the complainant approached the police station for necessary legal action. Based on the said report, the police registered a case against the accused for the aforesaid offences.

3. Heard Sri Pulimamidi Shashidhar Reddy, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner, Sri K.V. Sudhakar, learned counsel for respondent No.2 as well as Sri D. Arun Kumar, learned

Additional Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the respondent No.1– State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent of the allegations and that all the offences alleged against the petitioner are punishable with imprisonment of less than seven years, and that the concerned police authorities have already served notice under Section 35(3) of the BNSS. Since the petitioner is apprehending arrest, he prayed the Court to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner by allowing this Criminal Petition.

5. On the other hand, learned Additional Public Prosecutor contended that, despite service of notice under Section 35(3) of the BNSS, the petitioner has not been cooperating with the investigating authorities. Consequently, the prosecution intends to seek further permission to arrest the petitioner. At this stage, granting of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner does not arise. Therefore, he prayed the Court to dismiss the criminal petition.

6. Learned counsel for respondent No.2-*de-facto* complainant, opposed the submissions of the learned counsel for the petitioner contending that there is no justification for granting anticipatory bail, as the police have already served notice under Section 35(3) of

the BNSS, and accordingly prayed the Court to dismiss the Criminal Petition.

7. In light of the submissions made by all the learned counsel, and upon perusal of the material available on record, it is evident that the offences alleged against the petitioner are punishable with imprisonment of less than seven years. The concerned authorities have already served notice under Section 35(3) of the BNSS, and there exists an apprehension of arrest of the petitioner. Considering the nature of the allegations, custodial interrogation of the petitioner does not appear necessary at this stage. In view of the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court deems it fit to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioner, subject to the following conditions:

- i. The petitioner shall surrender before the Station House Officer, Devarakonda Police Station, Nalgonda District within two weeks from today, and on such surrender, the said Station House Officer shall release him on bail on executing a personal bond for Rs.25,000/- with two sureties, for the like sum each.
- ii. The petitioner 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 petitioner shall appear before the concerned Investigating Officer on every Monday between 09:00 a.m, and 05:00 p.m., or till the filing of the charge sheet, whichever is earlier, and thereafter, as and when required.
- iv. In case of violation of any of the above conditions, the prosecution shall be at liberty to seek cancellation of bail.

8. Accordingly, this Criminal Petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

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