

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

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.1402 of 2026

DATE: 11.02.2026

BETWEEN:

M.A.Shakeel

... Petitioner/Accused

And

The State of Telangana,
represented by its Public Prosecutor
High Court for the State of Telangana,
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, who was arrayed as accused in Crime No.20 of 2026 before the Neradigonda Police Station, Adilabad District, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 308 (5), 318 (2) read with 3 (5) of BNS.

2. Heard Sri S.Ravikiran Reddy, learned counsel for the petitioner/Accused and Sri M.Ramachandra Reddy, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent-State.

3. The case of the prosecution is that the *de facto* complaint lodged a report before police on 25.01.2026 wherein it

is stated that when he bought bulls in Ichoda Market in order to transport the same to Satapur of Nizamabad, two persons were came and asked to the complainant what is there in the vehicle. The complainant replied that animals are there, in which one of them checked the vehicle and later both of them went near to the complainant and told that they are illegally transporting animals and threatened the complainant, for which he paid Rs.1000/-. Hence, he filed the aforesaid complainant against the accused persons and basing on which the said crime was registered for the aforesaid offences.

4. The contention of learned counsel for the petitioner is that the petitioner is innocent of the offences alleged against him and he was arrayed as Accused; that that he is not present at the scene of offence; that he was not arrayed as an accused initially, as such he requested the Court to grant Anticipatory Bail to the petitioner.

5. On the other hand, learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed the same and submits that at the instance of this petition only, the other accused committed the offences; that this petitioner along with other accused conspired to do the said offences and therefore, the petitioner is not entitled for any

relief and hence, he requested the Court to dismiss the Criminal Petition.

6. Considering the submissions made by both the parties and perusal of the material on record, the petitioner herein is arrayed as accused No.1. The allegation against the petitioner is that at the instance of this petitioner the other accused committed crime and according to the petitioner A.2 and A.3 already served notice under Section 35 (3) of BNS. Even according to the prosecution, the petitioner is not present at the scene of offence. Considering the circumstances stated above, 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, Neradigonda Police Station, Adilabad District, within two (2) weeks from today, and on such surrender, the petitioner shall be released on bail on executing a personal bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) with two sureties for a like sum each.

(ii) 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.

(iii) After release, the petitioner is directed not to contact the de facto complainant

(iv) 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.

7. Accordingly, this Criminal Petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

K. SUJANA, J

Date: 11.02.2026

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