

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA

AT HYDERABAD

THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.2078 of 2026

DATE: 24.02.2026

BETWEEN:

Bhukya Ashok.

.....petitioner/accused No.6

And

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

.....Respondent/complainant

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 is arrayed as accused No.6 in Crime No.66 of 2026 before the Khammam II

Town Police Station, Khammam District, registered for the offences punishable under Section 287, 189(3), 191(3), 126(2), 121(1) read with 190 of BNS and Section 21/76 CP Act.

2. The brief facts of the case are that the case was registered on the complaint of the informant alleging that on 01.02.2026 a bike rally organized by the BRS Party at Khammam allegedly violated the conditions of permission granted by the ACP, resulting in traffic obstruction, a dharna at Yellandhu X Road, burning of a Government effigy, and an alleged attack on a police officer, causing injuries to the I Town Police Station Inspector, who was shifted to the hospital for treatment. The petitioner was arrayed as accused No.6 along with others in connection with the said incident.

3. Heard Sri B.Murlidhar, learned counsel for petitioner, and Sri Ramachandra Reddy, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the respondent – State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the allegations in the FIR and complaint were false, baseless, and vague, and that no *prima facie* case was made out against the

petitioner, who had no role in the alleged incident. He submitted that the petitioner was falsely implicated without any supporting evidence, that his arrest would unnecessarily tarnish his reputation, and that he was apprehending illegal arrest and custodial ill-treatment by the police. Therefore, he prayed the Court to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioner by allowing this Criminal Petition.

5. On the other hand, learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner stating that the allegations leveled against the petitioner are serious in nature. He further submitted that the petitioner, along with other accused, formed an unlawful assembly, violated the permission conditions, assaulted a police officer on duty causing grievous injuries, and endangered public safety by burning an effigy and that the offence was rightly altered based on medical evidence and that the incident created a serious law and order problem. Furthermore, the investigation was not yet completed. Therefore, prayed the Court to dismiss the criminal petition.

6. In the light of the submissions made by the learned counsel on both sides and upon a perusal of the material

available on record, it appears that the main contention of the learned counsel for the petitioner is that the petitioner is innocent of the alleged offences and that there are no specific set of allegations against him. On the other hand, the learned Additional Public Prosecutor submitted that a police officer sustained fracture injuries and that the incident occurred during a mob procession, though there were no specific allegations against the petitioner. Considering 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, Khammam II Town Police Station, Khammam 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 and Wednesday between 09:00 a.m, and 05:00 p.m., for a period of eight (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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