

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

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.2268 of 2026

DATE : 27.02.2026

Between:

Sri Mahesh Nagula and another.

...Petitioners/Accused Nos.2 and 3

AND

The State of Telangana
Through S.H.O., P.S. Vemulawada Town,
Rajanna Sircilla District, rep., by its Public Prosecutor,
High Court at Hyderabad.

...Respondent

ORDER:

This Criminal Petition is filed before this Court for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioners who are arrayed as accused Nos.2 and 3 in FIR No.38 of 2023 before the Vemulawada Town Police Station, Rajanna Sircilla District, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 420, 120b, 467, 468 r/w 34 of the Indian Penal Code (for short 'IPC').

2. The case of the prosecution is that the *de-facto* complainant, lodged a report before the police on 05.02.2023 stating that on 15.02.2010 in Thettekunta village, the accused persons – Siddi Ramulu, Nagula Mahesh, Nagula Sandhya Rani, and the Sub-Registrar of Vemulawada – conspired to cheat her by illegally transferring her property (Plot Nos. 12 & 13, Survey No.1, 484 sq. yards) without her knowledge. A forged sale deed (Doc No. 855/2010) was created using impersonation, and the Sub-Registrar allegedly failed to verify the executant. Subsequently, the property was transferred among the accused through further registrations (Doc No. 1195/2012 and Doc No. 2148/2021). The complainant stated that she had never executed the documents and was not present during the transactions, alleging a fraudulent conspiracy to grab her property, as such requested the police for taking necessary action. On receipt of the said complaint, the Police registered case against the petitioners for the offences as alleged. Aggrieved thereby, this Criminal Petition is filed seeking anticipatory bail of the petitioners.

3. Heard Sri K. Venu Madhav, learned counsel for the petitioners as well as Sri M. Ramachandra Reddy, learned

Additional Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the respondent - State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocent of the said allegations and are bona fide purchasers of the disputed property. It is further submitted that though the FIR is of the year 2023, no action has been taken by the police and accused No.1 has already been arrested, causing apprehension of arrest to the petitioners. Material aspects of the investigation are based on documentary evidence and custodial interrogation of the petitioners is not required. Therefore, he prayed the Court to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioners by allowing this criminal petition.

5. On the other hand, the learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioners, contending that the allegations against the petitioners are severe in nature. It is further contended that the petitioners herein conspiring with accused Nos.1, 2 and 4, grabbed the property of the de-facto complainant, as such custodial interrogation of the petitioners is required for further investigation. Therefore, he prayed the Court to dismiss the criminal petition.

6. In light of the submissions made by both the learned counsel and upon perusal of the material available on record, it appears that the petitioners herein are arrayed as accused Nos.2 and 3, even according to the prosecution case, the accused purchased the property from accused No.1 and the main allegations are against accused No.2 that he fabricated the document to grab the property of the de-facto complainant. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and considering the date of registration of the crime, this Court deems it fit to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioners, subject to compliance of the following conditions:

- i. The petitioners shall surrender before the Station House Officer, Vemulawada Town Police Station, Rajanna Sircilla District, within two weeks from today, and on such surrender, the said Station House Officer shall release him on bail, on petitioner executing a personal bond for Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only), 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., till the filing of the charge sheet 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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