

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

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.2539 of 2026

DATE: 03.03.2026

Between:

Chithuri Shekar

.... Petitioner/ accused

AND

The State of Telangana,
Rep. by its Public Prosecutor,
High Court at Hyderabad,
Through SHO, Adilabad II Town
Police station, Adilabad District.

...Respondent/ complainant

ORDER

This Criminal Petition is filed before this Court for grant of bail to the Petitioner who is arrayed as accused in FIR No.62 of 2026 of Adilabad-II Town Police Station, Adilabad District, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 318(4) and 316(5) of the BNS.

2. The case of the prosecution is that, on 25.01.2026, the de-facto complainant lodged a report before the police stating that, on

31.07.2024 and 09.09.2024, he entered into a franchise business arrangements with the petitioner herein, who is proprietor/director of CHEEZI LOGISTICS PVT LTD, which is the company incorporated under the laws of India having its registered office at Malakpet Chaderghat, Old Malakpet Amberpet and Hyderabad and then he paid total Rs.3,00,000/- to the petitioner through UPI payment as per the agreement and verbal commitments, where the petitioner assured to deliver franchise rights/service/products, but failed to fulfill his commitments and was closed the office and when he called him, he was not attending his calls and cheated him willfully with criminal breach of. Hence, the complainant requested to take necessary action. Basing on the said complaint, the police registered a case for the above said offences.

3. Heard Sri Y. Bala Murali, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner as well as Sri M. Ramachandra Reddy, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent-State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent of the said allegations and further, the alleged offences under Sections 318(2) and 316(5) of the BNS would go together and it is purely civil in nature and inspite of filing recovery suit, erroneously implicated the petitioner herein

and he is in jail since 02.02.2026 and he was arrested by the police at Bengaluru International Airport and the material part of the investigation was already completed. Therefore, he prayed the Court to grant bail to him 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 against the petitioner are grievous in nature and prayed the Court to dismiss the criminal petition.

6. In the light of the submissions made by both the learned counsel and upon perusal of the material available on record, it appears that the petitioner herein is in jail since 02.02.2026 and the alleged offences are under Sections 318(4) and 316(5) of the BNS and the allegations against the petitioner are that he cheated the de-facto complainant and he received Rs.3,00,000/- from the de-facto complainant. As seen from the remand case diary, the prosecution witnesses, LWs 1 to 8 have already been examined. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the nature of the allegations, the stage of investigation, the duration of incarceration, this Court finds it appropriate to grant bail to the petitioner, subject to the following conditions:

- i. The petitioner shall execute a personal bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only), with two sureties for a like sum each to the satisfaction of the learned II Additional Judicial Magistrate of First Class, Adilabad.
- ii. The petitioner shall appear before the concerned SHO at 11:00 a.m., on every Monday for a period of eight (8) weeks or till filing of charge sheet whichever is earlier, for the purpose of investigation, and thereafter, as and when required.
- iii. The petitioner shall abide by the conditions stipulated in Section 437(3) of Cr.P.C. (presently, Section 480(3) of the BNSS).

7. Accordingly, the Criminal petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

K. SUJANA, J

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