

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

THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.2807 of 2026

DATE : 13.03.2026

Between:

Sri Sheru Sinha Chauhan.

...Petitioner/Accused

AND

The State of Telangana
Through Public Prosecutor,
High Court for the State of Telangana at Hyderabad.

...Respondent

ORDER:

This Criminal Petition is filed before this Court for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner who is arrayed as accused No.8 in Crime No.346 of 2025 before the Bhiknoor Police Station, Kamareddy District, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 331(4), 305(a) of BNS.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on 12.10.2025 at 21:00 hours, the complainant Smt. Gudipati Sethu Madhavi,

resident of Vidyanagar Colony, Bhiknoor, lodged a complaint stating that on 10.10.2025 she and her husband had locked their house and gone to Hyderabad. On 12.10.2025, when Swamiji and Pitadhipathi visited her house, they noticed the lock broken and informed her through a video call. On returning, she found the house ransacked and several gold ornaments, silver articles, and cash worth about Rs.1,73,000/- stolen.

3. Heard Sri Gourav Kulkarni, learned counsel for the petitioner, and Sri M. Ramachandra Reddy, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the respondent - State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that petitioner has been falsely implicated without any material evidence, and the allegations are vague, omnibus, and baseless. He contended that no specific role, act, or instigation is attributed to Accused No.8, and mere presence does not constitute an offence. He averred that the complaint is fabricated, filed with mala fide intention to harass, and the investigating agency has mechanically invoked penal provisions without foundational facts. Therefore, he prayed the Court to

grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioner 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 petitioner, contending that the petitioner herein is an habitual offender. 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 there is no recovery of the stolen property from the petitioner herein. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court deems it fit to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioner, subject to compliance of the following conditions:

- i. The petitioner shall surrender before the Station House Officer, Bhiknoor Police Station, Kamareddy 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), 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., 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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