

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA

AT HYDERABAD

THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.3243 OF 2026

DATE : 18.03.2026

Between :

Deshavath @ Nenavath Padma.

... Petitioner

And

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

... Respondent

: ORDER :

This Criminal Petition is filed praying this Court to enlarge the petitioner on bail who is arrayed as accused in Crime No.278 of 2025 before the Achampet Police Station, Nagarkurnool District, registered for the offence punishable under Sections 103(1) and 238 r/w. 3(5) of BNS.

2. The brief facts of the case are that the complainant, lodged a report on 25.11.2025 at 1830 hours before Achampet Police Station stating that his younger brother, Sri. Nenavath

Laxman, was married to Smt. Deshavath Padma about ten years ago and they were residing at Maruthi Nagar Colony, Achampet. It was alleged that Padma was maintaining an illegal relationship with one Nenavath Shiva, which led to frequent quarrels between the spouses. On 25.11.2025 at about 0900 hours, the complainant found his brother Laxman dead under suspicious circumstances in his rented room.

3. Heard Sri C.Sharan Reddy, learned counsel for petitioner and Sri M.Ramachandra Reddy, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for respondent - State.

4. Learned counsel for petitioner submitted that petitioner is innocent of the offences alleged against her and there is no evidence linking her to the crime except extra-judicial confessions. He asserted that even as per the remand report, it is A-2 who is alleged to have committed the murder, and there is no material to show that the petitioner had any relationship with A-2 or that she conspired with him to kill the deceased. He lamented that the FIR initially alleged an illegal relationship with one Shiva, but during investigation A-2 was introduced without any corroboration. While advocating that the entire case rests on suspicion merely because the petitioner is the wife of

the deceased, he prayed this Court to grant bail to the petitioner.

5. On the other hand, learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed bail stating that allegations in the FIR clearly disclose a prima facie case against the petitioner, as she was suspected of maintaining an illicit relationship and thereby having motive in the death of her husband. He further submitted that the circumstances surrounding the death are suspicious and require thorough investigation. Therefore, he prayed this Court to dismiss the criminal petition.

6. Upon consideration of the rival submissions and perusal of the material available on record, it is noted that petitioner is in judicial custody since 24.12.2025. Considering the facts and circumstances of this case in entirety, and the period of incarceration of petitioner, this Court is of the view to grant the relief of bail to petitioner, subject to compliance of following conditions:

- i. The petitioner shall execute a personal bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/-, each (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only, with two sureties for a like sum each to the satisfaction of the Judicial Magistrate of First Class, at Achampet.

- ii. The petitioner shall appear before the concerned SHO at 11:00 a.m., on every Monday for a period of eight (8) week 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.

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