

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA

AT HYDERABAD

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.3803 of 2026

DATE: 23.03.2026

BETWEEN:

Gopala Krishna Parlapalli and another

..... Petitioners/Accused

And

The State of Telangana,
Through Station House Officer,
Police Station Dundigal, Cyberabad
Rep. by Public Prosecutor,
High Court for the State of Telangana,
Hyderabad.

..... Respondent

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 petitioners, who are arrayed as accused Nos.1
and 2 in Crime No.190 of 2026 before the Dundigal Police Station,
Cyberabad Commissionerate, registered for the offences punishable

under Sections 64(2)(f), 64(2)(j), 64(2)(m), 115, 351(2) of BNS and 3(1)(w)(i), 3(1)(W)(ii), 3(1)(r) and 3(2)(v) of SC & ST POA Act.

2. The brief facts of the case are that the *de facto* complainant lodged a report before the police on 27.02.2026 stating she had been working in the petitioners' school since 2024. She alleged that petitioner Nos.1 and 2 misbehaved with her on 15.11.2024. Subsequently, on 01.01.2025, accused No. 2 allegedly misused her and committed rape. She further stated that accused No.2 continued to misbehave with her and threatened her with dire consequences. The complainant mentioned that she initially wanted to approach the elders and therefore did not file a report earlier. Hence, requested the police to take necessary action. Based on this report, the police registered a case against the accused for the alleged offences.

3. Heard Sri V. Rohith, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioners, and 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 alleged offences and that the de-

facto complainant has falsely implicated them with an intention to extract money and that the de-facto complainant was previously employed at the school of the petitioners and was removed from service due to her lack of punctuality. In support of this contention, he relied on WhatsApp messages exchanged between the Principal and the de-facto complainant, which allegedly demonstrate that she used to attend the school after working hours. He further contended that the *de-facto* complainant had earlier lodged a complaint before the police on 08.08.2025, wherein the present allegations were not mentioned, thereby indicating that the current complaint has been filed only with a view to harass the petitioners and extort money and that the petitioners have been running the school for several years with a good reputation. Hence, prayed the Court to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioners by allowing the present Criminal Petition.

5. On the other hand, learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed the submissions, contending that the allegations against the petitioners are grave in nature and that the investigation is at a nascent stage and that custodial interrogation of the petitioners is necessary for effective investigation. Accordingly, he prayed for dismissal of the Criminal Petition. However, he informed the Court

that notice had been served upon the victim, but there was no representation on behalf of the de-facto complainant.

6. In light of the submissions made by both learned counsel and upon perusal of the material available on record, it appears that the de-facto complainant had earlier lodged a report before the police on 08.08.2025, wherein allegations were made against accused No.1; however, no allegations similar to those in the present complaint were mentioned therein, either against accused No.1 or accused No.2. Considering the earlier complaint, the present allegations, and the overall facts and circumstances of the case, this Court deems it fit to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioners-accused Nos.1 and 2, subject to the following conditions:

- i. The petitioners shall surrender before the Station House Officer, Dundigal Police Station, Cyberabad Commissionerate 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/- 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 Wednesday between 09:00 a.m, and 05:00 p.m. 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.

7. Accordingly, this Criminal Petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

K. SUJANA, J

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