

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA

AT HYDERABAD

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.3905 of 2026

DATE: 01.04.2026

BETWEEN:

Vinod Shankar Pawar

.....petitioner/accused No.1

And

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

.....Respondent/complainant

ORDER

This Criminal Petition is filed praying this Court to enlarge the petitioner on bail who is arrayed as accused No.1 in Crime No.23 of 2026 before the Nizamabad III Town Police Station, Nizamabad District, registered for the offence

punishable under Sections 310, 204, 137(2) read with 3(5) of BNS.

2. The brief facts of the case are that the de facto complainant, a gold merchant at Nizamabad, alleged that on 23.01.2026, he entrusted an amount of Rs.19,92,003/- to his employee to deposit in a bank. While proceeding to deposit the cash, the employee was allegedly intercepted by five unknown persons who impersonated police officials, forcibly took him into a car, robbed the cash, and later dropped him near Basara.

3. Heard Sri N. Srushman Reddy, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner as well as Sri M. Ramachander Reddy, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the respondent – State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent and has been falsely implicated without any credible evidence and that except for an alleged confession before the police, which is inadmissible in law, there is no material linking the petitioner to the offence. The petitioner has no criminal antecedents, is in judicial custody since 31.01.2026, and the investigation is almost completed.

Therefore, he prayed the Court to grant bail to the petitioner by allowing this Criminal Petition.

5. On the other hand, learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed the bail petition, submitting that the offence is grave in nature involving robbery by impersonating police officials and substantial cash loss. He contended that the investigation is still in progress and the role of the petitioner is under scrutiny. At this stage, granting of bail to the petitioner does not arise. Therefore, he prayed the Court to dismiss the criminal petition.

6. In the light of the submissions made by both the learned counsel and a perusal of the material available on record, it appears that the petitioner is in jail since 31.01.2026. As seen from the record, the material part of the investigation has been completed and L.Ws.1 to 13 witnesses have been examined. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and the incarceration period of the petitioner, this Court deems it fit 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) each, with

two sureties for a like sum each to the satisfaction of the III Additional JFCM (Special Mobile Court), Nizamabad.

- 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.

K. SUJANA, J

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