IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AT HYDERABAD

THURSDAY, THE SIXTEENTH DAY OF APRIL TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE J SREENIVAS RAO

CRIMINAL PETITION NO: 5567 OF 2026

Between:

Pedakamsetti Dasarada Appala Srinivasa Rao, S/o Babu Rao, aged about 57 years, Occ. Business, R/o D. No. 50-118-1/4/4, Flat No. 202, Andhra Residency, Near Racket Park, N.E. Layout, Seethammadhara, Vishakapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.

...PETITIONER/ACCUSED

AND

1. The State of Telangana, through Public Prosecutor at High Court, Hyderabad.
2. Saralla Samuel Prasad, S/o Krupanandam, Aged about 77 years, Occ. Retired Employee, R/o Flat no. 601, Vishnu Residency - B, Gandhinagar, Hyderabad.

...RESPONDENTS/COMPLAINANT

Petition under Section 528 of BNSS praying that in the circumstances stated in the Memorandum of Grounds of Criminal Petition, the High Court may be pleased to quash the proceedings as against this Petitioner in STC No. 129 of 2025 on the file of X Judicial Magistrate of First Class at Hyderabad, registered under Sections 138 of Negotiable Instruments Act, in the interest of justice.

I.A. NO: 1 OF 2026

Petition under Section 528 of BNSS praying that in the circumstances stated in the Memorandum of Grounds of Criminal Petition, the High Court may be pleased to stay all further proceedings in STC No. 129 of 2025 on the file of X Judicial Magistrate of First Class at Hyderabad, registered under Sections 138 of Negotiable Instruments Act, in the interest of justice.

This Petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Memorandum of Grounds of Criminal Petition and upon hearing the arguments of Sri P.Rama Sharana Sharma, Advocate for the Petitioner and Sri Jithender Rao Veeramalla, learned Additional Public Prosecutor on behalf of the Respondent No.1 and none appeared for the Respondent No.2.

The Court made the following: ORDER

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THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE J.SREENIVAS RAO

CRIMINAL PETITION No.5567 of 2026

Date:16.04.2026

Between:

Pedakamsetti Dasarada Appala Srinivasa Rao

...petitioner /accused

AND

The State of Telangana,
Through Public Prosecutor at
High Court, Hyderabad, and another.

...respondents

ORDER

This Criminal Petition has been filed seeking to quash the proceedings in S.T.C.No.129 of 2025, on the file of the X Judicial Magistrate of First Class at Hyderabad, wherein the petitioner was arrayed as accused, for the offence punishable under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881.

2. Heard Mr. P. Rama Sharana Sharma, learned counsel for the petitioner appearing through video conference and Mr. Jithender Rao Veeramalla, learned Additional Public Prosecutor for respondent No.1.

3. Though the criminal petition was filed seeking to quash the proceedings in S.T.C.No.129 of 2025, the learned counsel for the petitioner restricted his prayer requesting this Court to dispense with the appearance of the petitioner/accused in S.T.C.No.129 of 2025, on the file of the X Judicial Magistrate of First Class at Hyderabad, on the ground that the petitioner is the resident of Vishakapatnam, Andhra Pradesh and it is very difficult for the petitioner to travel long distance for every date of adjournment in the Trial Court, as such the learned counsel sought for dispensing with the presence of petitioners before the Trial Court.

4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor has not opposed the submission made by the learned counsel for petitioner.

5. Taking into consideration the above submission made by the respective parties, the presence of the petitioner/accused in S.T.C.No.129 of 2025, on the file of the X Judicial Magistrate of First Class at Hyderabad, is dispensed with, subject to the condition that the petitioner/accused shall be represented by his counsel on every date of hearing, unless his presence is

specifically required during the course of the trial. In the event of non-appearance of petitioner/accused on any date so fixed by the trial Court, the trial Court shall be entitled to proceed with the matter in accordance with law.

6. Accordingly, the criminal petition is disposed of.

Pending miscellaneous applications, if any, shall stand closed.

Sd/- A. JAYASREE
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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To,

1. The X Judicial Magistrate of First Class at Hyderabad.
2. The Station House Officer, Narayanaguda Police Station, Hyderabad.
3. Two CCs to the Public Prosecutor, High Court of Telangana at Hyderabad [OUT]
4. One CC to Sri P.Rama Sharana Sharma, Advocate [OPUC]
5. Two CD Copies

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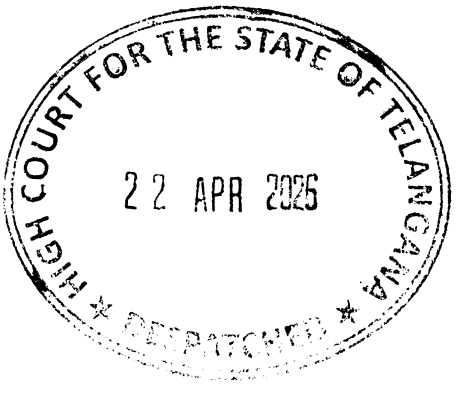
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HIGH COURT

DATED: 16/04/2026

ORDER

CRLP.No.5567 of 2026



DISPOSING THE CRIMINAL PETITION

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