

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA

AT HYDERABAD

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.5625 of 2026

DATE: 24.04.2026

BETWEEN:

Karamu Gopi

.....petitioner/accused

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 in
Crime No.282 of 2026 before the Jawaharnagar Police Station,

Malkajgiri District, registered for the offence punishable under Sections 316(2) and 318(2) of BNS.

2. The brief facts of the case are that on 26.02.2026, the complainant, Smt. Shivarathri Kanakamma, lodged a report stating that her son, Shivaratri Madhu, while travelling on a two-wheeler at Dammaiguda, was hit by a car allegedly driven rashly and negligently by the petitioner, resulting in grievous injuries. He was shifted to Gandhi Hospital, where he later died during treatment. It is further alleged that the petitioner later furnished fake insurance documents to the family for claiming compensation.

3. Heard Sri B. Krishna Karthik, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner as well as Sri M. Ramachandra 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 in the case and that the accident, if any, was purely accidental and not intentional, and the allegations regarding forged insurance documents are false and still under investigation. He further

submitted that the investigation is substantially completed, material witnesses have been examined, no custodial interrogation is required. Therefore, he prayed the Court to grant bail to the petitioner by allowing this Criminal Petition.

5. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed the bail application contending that the petitioner drove the vehicle in a rash and negligent manner, causing the fatal accident, and thereafter supplied forged insurance documents to mislead the family of the deceased. He further submitted that the allegations are serious in nature, the investigation has collected witness statements and documentary material, and considering the gravity of the offences, the petitioner is not entitled to bail at this stage.

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 18.03.2026. As seen from the record, the material part of the investigation has been completed and L.Ws.1 to 12 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 X Additional Metropolitan Magistrate, Medchal-Malkajgiri at Medchal.
- 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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