IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AT HYDERABAD

MONDAY, THE TWENTIETH DAY OF APRIL
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE J. SREENIVAS RAO

CRIMINAL PETITION NO: 5907 OF 2026

Between:

Mr. Peeraiah Ambharam, S/o Ambarapu Pedda Peeraiah, Age about 44 years, Occ- Business, R/o H.No. 34, Gaddamavaripalle village, Gallavandlapalle Post, Mydukur Mandal, YSR District, Andhra Pradesh.

...Petitioner/Appellant/Accused

AND

1. The State of Telangana, Rep. by. its Public Prosecutor, High Court Buildings, High Court, Hyderabad. **...Respondent**
2. Mr. Gnaneswar Uppara, S/o Subba Rayudu, Age- 35 years, Occ- Private Employee, R/o H.No. 8-3-229/H/41, First Floor, Hylam Colony, Venkatagiri, Hyderabad.

...Respondent/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 condition imposed in order dated 17/02/2026 passed in Crl. M.P. No. 126 of 2026 in Crl. Appeal No. 55 of 2026 the Court of The Addl. Sessions Judge for the Trial of Jubilee Hills Car Bomb Blast Case- Cum- Addl. Family Court- Cum- XXIII addl. Chief Judge-Cum- IX ADDL. Sessions Judge Hyderabad.

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 the operation of the condition imposed in order dated 17-02-2026 passed in Crl. M.P. No. 126 of 2026 in Crl. Appeal No. 55 of 2026 the Court of The Addl. Sessions

Judge for the Trial of Jubilee Hills Car Bomb Blast Case-Cum-Addl. Family Court-Cum-XXIII addl. Chief Judge-Cum- IX ADDL. Sessions Judge Hyderabad, directing deposit of 20 percent of the compensation amount, and further reduce the said deposit requirement to a lesser and reasonable percentage, such as 5 percent or 10 percent, in view of the petitioners limited financial means, dependent family obligations, and lack of liquid assets.

This Petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Memorandum of Grounds of Criminal Petition and upon hearing the arguments of Mr. G. Narayana, Advocate for the Petitioner and the Mr. Jithender Rao Veeramalla, Additional Public Prosecutor on behalf of the Respondent No. 1.

The Court made the following: ORDER

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AT HYDERABAD

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE J.SREENIVAS RAO

CRIMINAL PETITION No.5907 of 2026

Date: 20.04.2026

Between:

Mr. Peeraiah Ambharam

...Petitioner

AND

The State of Telangana and another

...Respondents.

ORDER

This Criminal Petition is filed by the petitioner, questioning the orders dated 17.02.2026, passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge for the Trial of Jubilee Hills Car Bomb Blast Case-cum-Additional Family Court-cum-XXIII Additional Chief Judge-cum-IX Additional Sessions Judge, Hyderabad, in Crl.M.P.No.126 of 2026 in Crl.A.No.55 of 2026 in C.C.NI.No.5872 of 2022 of VIII Judicial Magistrate of First Class, Hyderabad, on the ground that the Sessions Judge imposed an onerous condition.

2. Heard Mr. G. Narayana, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr.Jithender Rao Veeramalla, learned Additional Public Prosecutor for respondent No.1.

3. With the consent of both the learned counsel, the criminal petition is disposed of at the admission stage.

4. Notice in respect of respondent No.2 is dispensed with, on the ground that the petitioner has filed the present criminal petition only challenging the imposition of the condition to deposit 20% of the compensation amount, and no relief is sought against respondent No.2.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the learned trial Court sentenced the petitioner to undergo simple imprisonment for a period of four months and to pay fine of Rs.21,01,000/-, in default of which, to undergo simple imprisonment for a period of two months, for the offence under Sections 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 (for short 'NI Act'). Aggrieved thereby, the petitioner preferred an appeal before the learned Sessions Judge, who, while suspending the sentence imposed by the trial Court, imposed a condition directing the petitioner to deposit 20% of the compensation amount under Section 148 of the NI Act.

6. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor submitted that, in similar circumstances, this Court by placing reliance upon the principle laid

down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in ***Sanjabij Tari v. Kishore S. Borcar***[1], has reduced the compensation amount from 20% to 10%.

7. Taking into consideration the submissions made by the respective parties and the principle laid down by Hon'ble Supreme Court in ***Sanjabij Tari*** (supra), the impugned order dated 17.02.2026 passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge for the Trial of Jubilee Hills Car Bomb Blast Case-cum-Additional Family Court-cum-XXIII Additional Chief Judge-cum-IX Additional Sessions Judge, Hyderabad, in Crl.M.P.No.126 of 2026 in Crl.A.No.55 of 2026 in C.C.NI.No.5872 of 2022 of VIII Judicial Magistrate of First Class, Hyderabad, is modified, directing the petitioner to deposit 10% of the compensation amount within a period of six (06) weeks from today. In default of depositing the said amount within the stipulated period, the learned Sessions Judge is entitled to proceed with the matter in accordance with law.

8. Accordingly, the criminal petition is disposed of.

Pending miscellaneous applications, if any, shall stand closed.

SD/-K. BHAVANI SWAMY
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The Addl. Sessions Judge for the Trial of Jubilee Hills Car Bomb Blast Case-Cum-Addl. Family Court-Cum-XXIII addl. Chief Judge-Cum- IX ADDL. Sessions Judge Hyderabad.
2. Two CCs to the Public Prosecutor, High Court for the State of Telangana, at Hyderabad (OUT)
3. One CC to Mr. G. Narayana, Advocate [OPUC]
4. Two CD Copies

HIGH COURT

DATED: 20/04/2026



ORDER

CRLP.No.5907 of 2026

DISPOSING OF THE CRIMINAL PETITION

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