

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA

AT HYDERABAD

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.6118 OF 2026

DATE: 01.05.2026

Between :

Chittari Anand and another

... Petitioners/A3 & A4

And

State of Telangana,
Represented through Public Prosecutor,
High Court Buildings, Hyderabad.

... Respondent

: ORDER :

This Criminal Petition is filed under Section 480 & 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Surakhsha Sanhita, 2023 praying this Court to enlarge the petitioners on bail, who is arrayed as accused Nos.3 and 4 in Crime No.97 of 2026 of Korutla Police Station, Jagtial District. The offences alleged against the petitioners are punishable under Sections 80, 103(1), 49 read with 3(5) of BNS.

2. The brief facts of the case are that, on 17.03.2026, the defacto complainant lodged a report before the police stating that his daughter had a love marriage with A-1 on 29.05.2025, and since then they were residing at the complainant's house in Madhapur village. For the past five months, A-1 along with his mother (A-2) and brothers (A-3 and A-4) had been harassing the deceased both physically and mentally, demanding additional dowry of Rs.5 lakhs. Under pressure, the complainant paid Rs.5 lakhs, which A-1 used to purchase land. Despite this, the harassment continued, and the accused allegedly demanded a further amount of Rs.5 lakhs. On the night of 16.03.2026, the deceased and A-1 went to sleep in their bedroom. On the morning of 17.03.2026 at about 06:00 hours, A-1 left the house on his motorcycle. Subsequently, the complainant and his wife found the deceased lying in a pool of blood in her bedroom. It is alleged that A-1 brutally stabbed her on the forehead and other parts of the body and strangled her, resulting in her death. The complaint further alleges that A-2 to A-4 instigated A-1 to commit the offence. Hence, the complainant requested the police for necessary action. Basing on the said report, police registered a case for the abovementioned offences.

3. Heard Sri B. Aravind Reddy, 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 was falsely implicated in the crime without any specific allegations of harassment or dowry demand against the petitioners. He further submitted that the petitioners never resided with the deceased and had no role in the alleged acts and that the petitioners have been in judicial custody since 19.03.2026 and the material part of investigation is completed. Therefore, prayed this Court to grant regular bail to the petitioners by allowing this criminal petition.

5. On the other hand, learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed the bail petition by stating that the allegations against the petitioners are serious and grave in nature and the investigation is not yet completed. Given the gravity of the offence and the serious nature of the allegations, the petitioners are not entitled to bail and prayed the Court to dismiss the petition.

6. Considering the submissions made by both sides and upon perusal of the material available on record, it appears that the

allegations against the petitioners are limited to instigation of A-1 to harass the deceased. The complaint itself indicates that the deceased and A-1 were residing with the de facto complainant, whereas the petitioners were residing separately at Korutla Town, Jagtial District, and were not present at the scene of offence. It is further noted that the petitioners have been in judicial custody since 19.03.2026. As seen from the remand case diary, the prosecution witnesses, LWs. 1 to 18, have already been examined. Taking into account the overall facts and circumstances of the case, nature of allegations, progress in the investigation and the period of incarceration, this Court is inclined to grant regular bail to the petitioners, subject to the following conditions:

- i. The petitioners 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 learned Judicial Magistrate of First Class, Korutla.
- ii. The petitioners shall appear before the concerned SHO between 09.00 a.m and 5.00 p.m., on every Wednesday 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.
- iii. The petitioners shall abide by the conditions stipulated in Section 483(2) of the BNSS.

7. Accordingly, the Criminal Petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

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