

**IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF
TELANGANA AT HYDERABAD**

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.6124 of 2026

DATE : 23.04.2026

Between:

Kandula Saiteja and others.

...Petitioners/Accused Nos.4, 5 and 7

AND

The State of Telangana
Rep. by its Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Telangana, Through P.S. Keesara,
(Malkajgiri Commisionerate).

...Respondent

ORDER:

This Criminal Petition is filed before this Court for grant of bail to the Petitioners who are arrayed as accused Nos.4, 5 and 7 in FIR No.312 of 2026 of Keesara Police Station, Malkajgiri Commissionerate, registered for the offence punishable under Section 310(2) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (for short 'BNS').

2. The brief facts of the case are that, on 07.04.2026, the de-facto complainant lodged a report before the police stating that on 06.04.2026 at about 19:30 hours, while he

was proceeding near the Lencecart shop at Srinivas Nagar Colony, R.L. Nagar, Rampally Village, Keesara Mandal, an unknown person approached him in a car and enquired about the route to Rampally Village. Believing the version of the said person, who stated that his mother was in a serious condition, the de-facto complainant got into the car to show the way. It is further alleged that, thereafter, the said person drove the vehicle towards Ghatkesar without stopping, and on the way, four other persons joined in the car. The accused persons then allegedly took the de-facto complainant towards Bacharam Village via the ORR service road, where they forcibly took him out of the vehicle and snatched a gold chain weighing about 16 grams from his neck and fled away. It is further stated that, based on the said complaint, the police registered a case in Cr.No.312 of 2026 of Keesara Police Station for the offence punishable under Section 310(2) of BNS and took up investigation. During the course of investigation, the police arrested accused Nos.1, 2 and 4 to 7 on 10.04.2026, while accused No.3 is shown as absconding, and allegedly recovered one gold chain, a car, a scooty and mobile phones from the accused persons. Thereafter, the petitioners/accused Nos.4, 5 and 7 were remanded to judicial custody and are

presently lodged in Central Prison, Cherlapally. Hence, the present petition.

3. Heard Sri Veera Babu Gandu, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioners as well as Sri D. Rama Chandra Reddy, learned Additional Public Prosecutor for respondent-State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that accused Nos.4, 5 and 7 have been in judicial custody since 11.04.2026 and are innocent of the said allegations. It is further submitted that there is no such material to show that the petitioners are involved in the said crime and there is no CCTV recordings of the same. As the petitioners are involved in similar crime, they were erroneously shown as accused in the said case and the petitioners have been falsely implicated in the present case. It is further contended that the material part of investigation is already completed, and that the custodial interrogation of the petitioners is already completed, therefore, no custodial interrogation is required. Therefore, he prayed the Court to grant bail to the petitioners by allowing this criminal petition.

5. On the other hand, learned Addl. Public Prosecutor opposed the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioners stating that the alleged offence against the petitioners are grievous and heinous in nature and the

accused No.4 is involved in six (6) crimes earlier in the similar nature of offence. It is further contended that the material part of the investigation is not yet completed. Accordingly, he prayed the Court to dismiss the criminal petition. However, he informed the Court that there are no other criminal cases pending against accused Nos.5 and 7.

6. In the light of the submissions made by both the learned counsel and upon perusal of the material available on record, this Court is of the considered view that, having regard to the severity of the allegations against petitioner/accused No.4 and the fact that he is involved in other crimes which are similar in nature, the criminal petition to the extent of petitioner/accused No.4 is dismissed. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioners, Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the nature of the allegations, the stage of investigation, and the duration of incarceration, this Court finds it appropriate to grant bail to the petitioners/accused Nos.5 and 7, as there are no other cases pending against them, subject to the following conditions.

- i. The petitioners/accused Nos.5 and 7 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 III Additional Judicial Magistrate of First Class, Medchal-Malkajgiri District at Kushaiguda.

- ii. The petitioners/accused Nos.5 and 7 shall appear before the concerned SHO at 11:00 a.m., on every Monday 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/accused Nos.5 and 7 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 dismissed in respect of petitioner/accused No.4 and the Criminal Petition is allowed in respect of petitioner/accused No.5 and 7. Hence, the Criminal Petition is partly allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

K. SUJANA, J

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