

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

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.6774 of 2026

DATE: 05.05.2026

Between:

A.K. Murugesh

..... Petitioner/Accused No.26

And

The State of Telangana,
Rep. by its Public Prosecutor,
High Court for the State of Telangana.

..... Respondent

ORDER

This Criminal Petition is filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS') for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner, who is arrayed as accused No.26 in Crime No.862 of 2024 of Keesara Police Station, Rachakonda Commissionerate, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 419, 420, 467, 468 & 471 r/w 34 of the IPC, Sections 61(1) & 111 R/w 3(5) of the BNS and Section 82 of Registration Act.

2. The brief facts of the case are that, on 08.11.2024, the *de facto* complainant lodged a report before the police stating that her husband died on 08.08.2004, Elder son died on 21.12.2004, Daughter is ECIL Employee and the last daughter died in the year 1996 and her husband purchased a plot No.78 admeasuring 159 square yards in Sy.No.610 to 613 in Kanthi Rekha Coop. Housing Society on 02.02.1989 vide document No.794 of 1989 and recently when they visited the site, they found concrete pillars erected on the plot boundaries mentioning plot number on it and they verified the EC and found that three transactions took place by accused Nos.1 to 23. During the course of investigation, it was found that some of the accused identified and formed a 2nd group, where this group was responsible for purchasing the targeted plots by paying a meagre amount by fabricating the documents in the name of the legal heirs of the original owners and the petitioner herein is arrayed as accused No.23 and a case is registered against the petitioner herein.

3. Heard Sri T. Prasanna Kumar, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner as well as Sri E. Ganesh, learned Assistant Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the respondent No.1–State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent of the allegations and has been falsely implicated in the present crime as his name was not mentioned in the FIR and has been subsequently added as Accused No. 26 without any basis and that the implication of the petitioner is politically motivated due to his association with a political party. He further submitted that mere invocation of Section 467 IPC, in the absence of any forged document or material evidence in possession of the Investigating Officer, is not sufficient to justify arrest, and prayed the Court to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioner by allowing the Criminal Petition.

5. On the other hand, learned Assistant Public Prosecutor filed counter, opposing the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner stating that the allegations against the petitioner are serious in nature and due to the huge criminal conspiracy by accused, the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is required for further investigation and hence, he prayed the Court to dismiss the Criminal Petition.

6. In the light of the submissions made by both learned counsel and upon perusal of the material available on record, this Court

deems it fit to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioner, subject to conditions.

- i. The petitioner shall surrender before the Station House Officer, Keesara Police Station, Rachakonda Commissionerate within two weeks from today, and on such surrender, the said Station House Officer shall release him on bail on executing a personal bond for Rs.25,000/- with two sureties, for the like sum each.
- ii. The petitioner shall abide by the other conditions stipulated in Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 and co-operate with the Investigating Officer in investigating the case.
- iii. The petitioner shall appear before the concerned Investigating Officer on every Monday between 09:00 a.m, and 05:00 p.m., or till the filing of the charge sheet, whichever is earlier, and thereafter, as and when required.

7. Accordingly, this Criminal Petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

K. SUJANA, J

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