

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

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.6843 of 2026

DATE: 01.05.2026

BETWEEN:

Mamidishetty Venu Gopal and another

..... Petitioner/ss

And

State of Telangana,
Rep. by its Public Prosecutor,
High Court for the State of Telangana,
High Court Buildings, Hyderabad,
Through the Station House Officer,
PS Keesara, Malkajgiri District.

..... Respondent/Complainant

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 petitioners, who is arrayed as accused in Crime
No.170 of 2026 before the Keesara Police Station, Malkajgiri District.

2. The brief facts of the case are that on 24.02.2026, the *de-facto*
complainant, lodged a complaint before Police stating that his second
daughter was married to Sai Teja on 30.11.2025 in the presence of

elders from both families. On 23.02.2026, while Sai Teja was attending to his office work at home, one Mogani Priyansh was also present. Sai Teja attempted to call his wife, but she did not respond. Subsequently, between 23:30 and 23:45 hours, he went to the first floor and found his wife hanging from a door curtain. He, along with his brother-in-law, broke open the door, brought her down and found her dead. Hence, the complainant requested the police to take necessary action. Basing on the said complaint, initially the case was registered for the offence punishable under Section 194 of BNSS, and subsequently, the provision was altered to Section 80 of BNS.

3. Heard Sri K. Sai Teja, 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 and has been falsely implicated in the present case and there are no allegations of dowry demand, cruelty, harassment, abetment, or any overt act against the petitioners. On the contrary, the de-facto complainant has expressly stated that he has no suspicion regarding the death, thereby weakening any attempt to invoke serious non-bailable offences. He further submitted that substantial portion of investigation is complete, there is no necessity for custodial interrogation of the petitioners and that the petitioners

are ready and willing to fully cooperate with the investigating agency. Therefore, he prayed the Court to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioners by allowing the criminal petition.

5. On the other hand, learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed the petition by contending that the allegations against the petitioners are grave and serious in nature and the petitioners may influence witnesses or tamper with evidence if granted anticipatory bail and that the investigation is still pending and, therefore, granting pre-arrest bail to the petitioners, at this stage, does not arise and prayed the Court to dismiss the criminal petition.

6. In light of the submissions made by both learned counsel and upon perusal of the material available on record, it is evident that there are no specific allegations against the petitioners to constitute an offence punishable under Section 80 of BNS. The FIR was initially registered under Section 190 of BNSS and was subsequently altered to Section 80 of BNS. Further, the suicide note of the deceased indicates that she alone was responsible for her death. Having regard to the overall facts and circumstances of the case and the nature of allegations against the petitioners, this Court deems it appropriate to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioners, subject to the following conditions:

- i. The petitioners shall surrender before the Station House Officer, Keesara Police Station, Malkajgiri District 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 petitioners 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 petitioners shall appear before the concerned Investigating Officer on every Wednesday between 09:00 a.m, and 05:00 p.m. 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.

7. Accordingly, this Criminal Petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

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