

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

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.6945 of 2026

DATE :04.05.2026

Between :

Akella Mukhalinga Pavan Kumar.

... Petitioner/Accused

And

The State of Telangana,
Rep. its Public Prosecutor, High Court
For the State of Telangana, Hyderabad.

... Respondent

: ORDER :

This criminal petition is filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 by the petitioner/Accused seeking anticipatory bail in connection with Crime No.417 of 2022 of Jawaharnagar Police Station, Rachakonda Commissionerate. The offences alleged against the petitioner are under Sections 498-A of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 and Sections 3 and 4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961.

2. Brief facts of the case are that on 23.11.2017, a complaint was lodged by Smt. Chavli Sri Naga Swathi stating that her marriage was performed with the petitioner and at the time of

marriage her in-laws demanded to spend around Rs. 35 lakhs in the form of gold and silver articles, etc. Soon after the marriage, she was moved to her in-laws' place at Ramachandrapuram, where the petitioner stayed with her for one month and left to Canada, making a promise to take her to Canada and to clear other debts of her husband. Her in-laws tortured and harassed defacto complainant to get money to clear the educational and other debts of her husband, and their harassment threw her into deep depression. On 18.11.2018, she moved to Canada alone and stayed in Vancouver, where she came to know that her husband did not have a proper job and it was hard for both to live there, and she used all the money which she brought from India. Later, she also started doing a job and by seeing this, her husband slowly stopped working and started harassing her to bring additional dowry for his business. It is also submitted that she had prepared an amount of Rs.32 lakhs for his business purpose and when she asked him about the business, he started avoiding her and used to abuse her in filthy language and threaten her with divorce. When she informed her in-laws, they shut her off saying that they are not responsible. On 02.04.2022, she returned to India due to her

husband's mental torture and thereafter she received threatening calls from him from different phone numbers. As such he requested the police for taking necessary action, basing on the same, Police registered the case against the accused for the above offences.

3. Heard Sri T.S.Anirudh Reddy, learned counsel for the petitioner as well as Sri M. Ramachandra Reddy, learned Additional Public Prosecutor for respondent-State.

4. The contention of the learned counsel for the petitioner is that on the date of filing of the report and even at present the petitioner was staying in Canada and the charge sheet has already been filed, wherein it is shown that the petitioner is absconding. The petitioner is now ready to come to India and all the sections invoked carry a punishment of less than seven years. Therefore, he prays that this Hon'ble Court may be pleased to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. On the other hand, the learned Additional Public Prosecutor submits that the petitioner was aware that a report had been filed against him, but he did not take any further

steps in the matter. Therefore, he requests this Court to dismiss the petition.

6. Considering the submissions made by both the parties and the material on record it is observed that at the time of filing the case and even now, the petitioner has been in Canada. He was aware that a report had been filed against him, yet he did not take any steps. Now, he is returning to India. Hence, this Court deems it fit to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner subject to the following condition:

- i. The petitioner **whenever he returns from Canada** shall surrender before the Station House Officer Jawaharnagar Police Station, Rachakonda, within two weeks from today, and on such surrender, the said Station House Officer shall release the petitioner on bail on his executing personal bond for Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) with two sureties, for the like sum each.
- ii. The petitioner shall abide by the other conditions stipulated in Section 482 (2) of BNSS and co-operate with the Investigating Officer in investigating the case.

- iii. The petitioner shall appear before the trial Court on every date of hearing till the disposal of the case.

7. Accordingly, the Criminal Petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

K. SUJANA, J

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