

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

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.7885 of 2026

DATE: 08.06.2026

Between:

Pechetti Murali Venu

...Petitioner/accused No.1

AND

The State of Telangana,
Rep. by its Public Prosecutor,
High Court at Hyderabad.

...Respondent

ORDER

This Criminal Petition is filed before this Court for grant of bail to the Petitioner who is arrayed as accused No.1 in Crime No.145 of 2026 of Borabanda Police Station, Hyderabad, registered for the offences punishable under Section 103(1) of the BNS and Section 194 of the BNSS and subsequently altered to Section 80 of BNS read with 3(5) of BNS.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on 13.03.2026, the de-facto complainant, who is the owner of the house, lodged a

report before the police stating that A-1 along with his family members, including his wife (deceased), children, and parents, were residing as tenants in the second-floor portion of his house on a monthly rent of Rs.10,000/-. It is alleged that A-1 was working as a helper in the Electricity Department and his mother (A-2) was working as housekeeping staff in Reddy Labs, while his father (A-3) was suffering from kidney-related ailments and undergoing dialysis since 2019. On 13.03.2026, a quarrel took place between A-1 and his wife Satyaveni over petty issues, and they did not speak to each other throughout the day. At about 6:00 p.m., A-1 along with his mother took A-3 to ESI Hospital for dialysis, and after returning home, they found Satyaveni hanging from a ceiling fan with a saree tied around her neck, while their daughter was found crying and their son was found dead. Upon receiving information, the de-facto complainant visited the house and observed the same, and alleged that due to the quarrel in the morning, the deceased had committed suicide after killing her son and attempting to kill her daughter. Based on the said report, a case was initially registered under Section 103(1) of BNS and Section 194 of BNSS, and later altered to Section 80 read with 3(5) of BNS. The petitioners were arrested on 16.03.2026 and remanded to judicial custody on the same day.

3. Heard Sri P. Prabhakar Reddy, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner as well as Sri M. Ramachandra Reddy, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the respondent – State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent of the said allegations and even in the alleged suicide note, there is no such ingredient to constitute the offence punishable under Section 80 of BNS read with 3(5) of BNS and also there was a dispute between the petitioner and his wife. It is further submitted that there was no such demand of dowry to attract the offence punishable under Section 80 of BNS read with 3(5) of BNS and he is in jail since 16.03.2026 and the material part of the investigation was already completed. Therefore, he prayed the Court to grant bail to him by allowing this criminal petition.

5. On the other hand, learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner stating that the allegations against the petitioner herein are serious in nature. It is further submitted that, earlier, the petitioner herein had approached this Court seeking regular bail and the same was dismissed by this Court on

05.05.2026 and that there are no changed circumstances for granting bail to the petitioner. Therefore, he prayed the Court to dismiss the criminal petition.

6. In the light of the submissions made by both the learned counsel and upon perusal of the material available on record, it appears that the petitioner herein is in jail since 16.03.2026. After the dismissal of the earlier bail petition, no substantial progress has been made in the investigation. As seen from the remand case diary, the prosecution witnesses, LWs 1 to 17 have already been examined. Further, no charge sheet has been filed as on date, the stated reason being the non-receipt of the FSL report. It is also evident that the material part of the investigation has already been completed. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the nature of the allegations, the stage of investigation, the duration of incarceration, this Court finds it appropriate to grant bail to the petitioner, subject to the following conditions:

- i. The petitioner shall execute a personal bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only), with two sureties for a like sum each to the

satisfaction of the learned III Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Nampally, Hyderabad.

- ii. The petitioner 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 petitioner 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 allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

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