

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

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.8397 of 2026

DATE: 19.06.2026

Between:

Pagidipati Chaitanya

...Petitioner/accused No.1

AND

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

...Respondents/Complainant

ORDER

This Criminal Petition is filed before this Court for grant of bail to the Petitioner who is arrayed as accused No.1 in FIR No.496 of 2026 of Dundigal Police Station, Cyberabad Commissionerate, registered for the offence punishable under Section 69 of the BNS.

2. The case of the prosecution is that, on 16.05.2026, the de-facto complainant lodged a report before the police stating that she is a divorcee and has been residing at Church Gagillapur after migrating to Hyderabad about six years ago. For the past five months, she had been attending Trib Fitness Gym, where fitness trainer i.e. the petitioner herien, repeatedly followed her and

expressed his love for her. Although she initially informed him that she was already divorced, he continued to pursue her and promised to love and marriage, due to which she eventually accepted his proposal. They exchanged phone numbers and were in regular contact. On 04.01.2026, stating that it was his birthday, the petitioner took her to his room during the night and, by speaking falsely and misleading her, forcibly had sexual intercourse with her against her will. Thereafter, he informed her that he was already married. Hence, the complainant requested to take necessary action. Basing on the said complaint, the police registered a case for the above said offence.

3. Heard Sri Bonthu Lokesh Phanindra Reddy, learned counsel representing Sri Jula Sandeep Kumar, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner as well as Sri D. Arun Kumar, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondents.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent of the said allegations and he is falsely implicated in the present case and the de-facto complainant is a major woman and already divorced and there is no such offence committed by the petitioner herein and he is in jail since 18.05.2026 and the material part of the investigation was already completed and the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required for further investigation. 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 and heinous in nature and that apart, the petitioner herein earlier was also involved in similar crime i.e. Crime No.715 of 2025, which was registered for the offences punishable under Sections 77, 78, 126(2), 352 of the BNS, as such, at this stage, the petitioner is not entitled for the bail. Further, the investigation is at the initial stage. 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 18.05.2026. As seen from the remand case diary, the prosecution witnesses, LWs 1 to 11 have already been examined. 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 VIII Additional
Judicial First Class Magistrate, at
Medchal.

- 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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