

**IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA
AT HYDERABAD
THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA**

CRIMINAL PETITION No.9130 OF 2026

DATE : 02.07.2026

Between :

Vanapally Shivakrishna,
S/o. Satyanarayana.

...Petitioner/
Accused

And

The State of Telangana,
Rep.by its Public Prosecutor,
High Court for the State of Telangana,
Hyderabad.Through S.H.O of
Kukatpally Police Station.

... Respondent
Complainant

O R D E R

This Criminal Petition is filed under Sections 480 & 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS') by the petitioner/Accused seeking to enlarge him on bail in connection with Crime No.478 of 2026 of Kukatpally Police Station, Cyberabad Commissionerate. The offence alleged against the petitioner is punishable under Section 103 of the BNS.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the *de facto* complainant lodged a report before police on 01.04.2026, wherein it is stated that on 31.03.2026 at about 22:15 hours his son left the house stating that he is going to

Srisailam along with their villagers. Later at around 23:24 hours, while the complainant and his wife Lakshmi were sleeping at their house, one woman by name Lakshmi came to their house, woke up and informed that his son was burning and asked them to come immediately. She took both of them to the house where they were staying. On reaching, they saw that his son Mallesh had sustained burn injuries on his body. When they enquired, they came to know that one person by name Shiva and father of one Kiran had poured petrol on his son and set him afire. It is stated that the said Shiva has a daughter by name Bhavya Sri and his son frequently used to visit their house to meet his friend day. However, Shiva developed a suspicion the victim has been following his daughter. Hence, he requested the police to take necessary action on the said complaint. Basing on the same, initially the police registered a case under Section 109 of BNS and subsequently since the victim died and the Section of law was altered to 103 of BNS.

3. Heard Sri G.Vaasudevudu, learned counsel for the petitioner/Accused and Sri D.Arun Kumar, learned

Additional Public Prosecutor, appearing for the respondent-State.

4. The contention of learned counsel for the petitioner is that the petitioner is innocent of the offence alleged against him and he has been falsely implicated in this case due to suspicion; that he has been in judicial custody since 01.04.2026; that entire investigation is completed and though 90 days period has been completed, no charge sheet is filed till date and on that ground also the petitioner is entitled for mandatory bail and hence, he prays this Court to grant regular bail to the petitioner.

5. On the other hand, learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed the same and submits that the offence alleged against the petitioner is heinous and grievous in nature; that the petitioner poured kerosene and burnt the deceased; that the investigation is yet to be completed and at this stage, the petitioner is not entitled for grant of bail and hence, he prays to dismiss the petition.

6. Considering the submissions made by learned counsel for petitioner and learned Additional Public Prosecutor, the petitioner has been in judicial custody since 01.04.2026. As seen from the record, L.Ws.1 to 14

were examined. However, no charge sheet is filed till date. Considering the period of incarceration and progress in investigation, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner-accused subject to the following conditions:

- (i) The petitioner-accused 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 XII Additional Junior Civil Judge-cum-XII Additional Metropolitan Magistrate at Kukatpally.
- (ii) On such release, the petitioner-accused shall appear before the concerned S.H.O. between 09:00 a.m., and 5:00 p.m., on every Wednesday 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-accused shall abide by the conditions stipulated in Section 437 (3) of Cr.P.C. (presently, Section 480 (3) of BNSS).

7. Accordingly, the Criminal petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous petitions, if any, pending shall stand closed.

K. SUJANA, J

Date: 02.07.2026

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