

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA

AT HYDERABAD

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.9074 of 2026

DATE: 24.06.2026

BETWEEN:

Balka Suman

.....petitioner/accused

And

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

.....Respondent/complainant

ORDER

This Criminal Petition is filed praying this Court to enlarge the petitioner on bail who is arrayed as accused in Crime No.489 of 2026 before the Banjara Hills Police Station, Hyderabad, registered for the offence punishable under

Sections 326(g), 152 read with 55, 61(1)(a), 351(3), 353(1)(b) and Section 4 of PDPPA.

2. The brief facts of the case are that the case arises out of a complaint lodged on 26.05.2026 by the de facto complainant, a Junior Inspector of Singareni Bhavan, alleging that the petitioner, a former MLA, delivered a provocative and inflammatory speech at Telangana/BRS Bhavan, Hyderabad, inciting the public to commit militant acts such as arson, destruction of Singareni properties, and damage to railway tracks. Based on the said complaint, Crime No.211 of 2026 was initially registered at Nampally Police Station under various provisions of the BNS and PDPP Act. The petitioner was arrested on 30.05.2026 and remanded to judicial custody for offences under Sections 152 and 353(1)(b) BNS, while other sections were held inapplicable. Subsequently, the case was transferred to Banjara Hills Police Station and re-registered as Crime No.489 of 2026.

3. Heard T.V. Ramana Rao, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner as well as Sri Palle Nageshwar Rao, learned Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the respondent – State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner contended that the petitioner is innocent and has been falsely implicated due to political rivalry, and that the case is solely based on an alleged speech without any consequent unlawful act and that no incident of violence, arson, or destruction of property has occurred, and the allegations are based on mere apprehensions. He contended that the essential ingredients of Section 152 BNS are not attracted, as there is no act affecting the sovereignty, unity, or integrity of India. He further contended that material part of the investigation is completed. Therefore, he prayed the Court to grant bail to the petitioner by allowing this Criminal Petition.

5. Learned Public Prosecutor submitted that the petitioner made highly inflammatory statements inciting violence, destruction of public property, and disruption of public order, which have the potential to create serious law and order issues across the State. He contended that the speech amounts to instigation and encouragement of unlawful and militant activities targeting Singareni establishments and public infrastructure. He further submitted that the video evidence clearly reflects the intent and gravity of the offence,

and that such acts cannot be treated as mere political speech. He contended that a thorough investigation is required in view of the seriousness of the allegations, and appropriate legal action must be taken to prevent potential threats to public peace and safety. Therefore, he prayed the Court to dismiss the Criminal Petition.

6. In the light of the submissions made by both the learned counsel and a perusal of the material available on record, it appears that the petitioner is in jail since 30.05.2026. As seen from the record, the material part of the investigation has been completed and L.Ws.1 to 14 witnesses have been examined. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and the incarceration period of the petitioner, this Court deems it fit 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) each, with two sureties for a like sum each to the satisfaction of the 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) week 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).
- iv. The petitioner shall not, in any manner, threaten, influence, induce, or intimidate any of the prosecution witnesses and shall refrain from posting, sharing, or commenting on any matter relating to the present case on print, electronic, or social media platforms.

7. Accordingly, the Criminal petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

K. SUJANA, J

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