IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AT HYDERABAD

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE B.R.MADHUSUDHAN RAO

CRIMINAL PETITION No.15563 of 2026

(CNR.No. HBHC010653522026)

DATE: 01.10.2026

BETWEEN:

SK. Sayeed

.....Petitioner-Accused

And

The State of Telangana,
Through SHO, P.S. Gangaram,
Mahabubabad District,
Rep. by its Public Prosecutor,
High Court at Hyderabad.

..Respondent-Complainant

ORDER

1. This Criminal Petition is filed under Sections 480 & 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS') praying this Court to enlarge the petitioner on bail who is arrayed as accused in connection with FIR No.38 of 2026 of Gangaram Police Station, Mahabubabad District. The offence registered against the petitioner-accused is punishable under Sections 316(5), 318(4) of BNS and Section 3 r/w 7 of EC Act.

2. Heard Sri K. Venumadhav, learned counsel for the petitioner and Sri D. Arun Kumar, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent–State.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the Civil Supplies Authorities allotted paddy for Khariff 2023-24 Season, the quantity is 1257.120 MTs. After the allotment petitioner-accused had milled a quantity of 384.254 MTs of paddy and delivered a quantity of 257.450 MTs of rice. The balance paddy to be milled is 872.866 MTs. At the time of allotment of such huge quantity, the petitioner-accused protested with the Civil Supplies Authorities and requested them not to allot such huge quantity as there is no godown facility to store the said paddy. Civil Supplies Authorities have dumped the stock of paddy in the open platform of the petitioner-accused rice mill. Petitioner-accused has spent huge amounts for purchasing tarpaulins to cover the paddy, but all the efforts became vain and resulted in damage of the stock of paddy. The entire transaction between the petitioner-accused and Civil Supplies Corporation is a contractual one and it cannot be said that the petitioner-accused had committed any such offence. Civil Supplies Authorities by following the arm twisting method filed a false complaint. Petitioner-accused is arrested and remanded to judicial

custody on 07.09.2026, since then he is in jail. Entire investigation is completed and prayed to enlarge the petitioner-accused on bail.

4. Respondent-State has filed counter and contended that during the inspection they have noticed shortage of 872.866 MTS of paddy for the Khariff Season 2023-24 valued at Rs.2,39,77,562/-. The financial liability including 25% penalty and 12% interest was assessed at Rs.3,53,95,480/- and prayed to dismiss the petition.

5. V.Narasimha has lodged a report before P.S. Gangaram on 07.09.2026. It is stated in the complaint that accused is a proprietor of M/s Yakub Ali Binny Rice Mill, Kamram Village and he had entered into an Agreement with TGSCSCL for Custom Milling of Paddy for KMS 2023-24. Total quantity of 1257.120 MTs of Government paddy was entrusted to the rice mill. During the joint inspection they found misappropriation of 872.866 MTs of Government paddy which is valued at Rs.2,39,77,562/-. The total financial liability including 25% penalty and 12% interest was assessed at Rs.3,53,95,480/-. Basing on the said complaint, FIR came to be registered.

6. Petitioner-accused is arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 07.09.2026, since then he is in jail.

7. Remand Case Diary goes to show that respondent has examined altogether 9 witnesses in support of the case. Inspection panchanama is also held in presence of the mediators, eye witnesses statements are recorded. It appears from the record that major portion of the investigation is completed, detaining the petitioner-accused further in judicial custody will not serve the purpose. Hence, petitioner-accused is entitled to be enlarged on bail, subject to the following conditions:

i. The petitioner-accused shall execute a personal bond for a sum of Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand only), with two sureties for a like sum each to the satisfaction of the learned Additional Judicial Magistrate of First Class, at Mahabubabad.

ii. The petitioner-accused shall appear before the concerned SHO between 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., on every Sunday 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 the BNSS).

iv. The petitioner-accused shall not directly or indirectly influence, threaten, or induce any of the prosecution witnesses.

v. It is made clear that if any of the conditions imposed by this Court are violated, the prosecution is at liberty to file an application for cancellation of the bail.

8. Accordingly, the Criminal petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

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