IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AT HYDERABAD

THE HON'BLE JUSTICE B.R.MADHUSUDHAN RAO

CRIMINAL PETITION No. 15931 of 2026

(C.N.R No. HBHC010666222026)

DATED: 06.10.2026

Between:
Kasukurthi Stephen ... Petitioner - Accused

And

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

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1. This Criminal Petition is filed under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (BNSS) praying this Court to enlarge the petitioner- accused on bail in connection with Crime No.1113 of 2026 of Meerpet Police Station, Adibatla, Hyderabad. The offence alleged against the petitioner-accused is punishable under Section 69 of the BNS.

2. Heard Sri G.Madhusudhan Reddy, learned counsel for petitioner-Accused and Sri D. Arun Kumar, learned Additional Public Prosecutor, appearing for respondent - State.

3. Notice got issued to the complainant is served, proof is filed to that effect.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the remand report specifically discloses that no vaginal swabs or semen

samples were collected, as the alleged incident had occurred more than a year ago. Material investigation is completed, petitioner – accused is arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 13.08.2026, since then he is in jail and prayed to enlarge the petitioner – accused on bail.

5. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor submits that statement of the victim under Section 183 of the BNSS was recorded on 15.09.2026 and the role played by the petitioner – accused is clearly depicted in the remand case diary.

6. *De facto* complainant has lodged a report before P.S Meerpet on 11.08.2026. It is stated in the complaint that on 20.12.2024 the accused has took her to his sister Mounika's house at Thirumalanagar, B.N.Reddy Nagar and they stayed over night in the said house. While all were sleeping, the accused took her into the kitchen room and touched her private parts and pressed and forcibly had sexual intercourse with her. On 03.01.2025 the accused blocked her mobile phone and avoided her. Basing on the said complaint, FIR came to be registered against the petitioner – accused.

7. Petitioner – accused is arrested on 13.08.2026 and was produced before the concerned Magistrate for remand, since then he is in jail.

8. Petitioner – accused has filed Crl.M.P.No.1486 of 2026 before the learned District and Sessions Judge for regular bail, the same came to be dismissed vide order, dated 22.09.2026 holding that investigating is pending.

9. Statement of the victim under Section 183 of the BNSS is already recorded on 15.09.2026.

10. Remand case diary goes to show that respondent has altogether examined 9 witnesses in support of the prosecution case.

11. 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. Therefore, the petitioner – Accused is entitled to be enlarged on bail subject to following conditions:

> i) The petitioner-accused shall execute a personal bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) with two sureties for a like sum each to the satisfaction of learned VI Additional Judicial Magistrate of First Class, Ranga Reddy District at L.B.Nagar.
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> ii) The petitioner-accused shall appear before the concerned SHO between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 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) In the event of violation of any of the above conditions, the prosecution is at liberty to file an application for cancellation of bail.

12. Accordingly, this Criminal Petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

B.R.MADHUSUDHAN RAO, J

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