IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AT HYDERABAD

THE HON'BLE JUSTICE B.R.MADHUSUDHAN RAO

CRIMINAL PETITION No.17026 of 2026

(C.N.R No. HBHC010713402026)

DATED: 28.10.2026

Between:
Ammati Ramesh ... Petitioner – A8

And

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

2. The Station House Officer,
Dundigal Police Station,
Cyberabad, Telangana . ... Respondents-State

O R D E R

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 No.8 on bail in connection with Crime No.922 of 2026 of P.S.Dundigal, Cyberabad Commissionerate. The offence alleged against the petitioner-accused No.8 is punishable under Sections 310 (2) read with 3 (5) of the BNS.

2. Heard Sri M.Keshav Yadav, learned counsel for petitioner-accused No.8 and Sri D. Arun Kumar, learned Additional Public Prosecutor for respondent - State.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that case of the prosecution heavily relies on alleged confession-cum-seizure panchanama, petitioner-accused No.8 has already been subjected to police custody for two days and he is in remand since 24.09.2026, continued incarceration of the petitioner – accused No.8 prior to commencement of trial would amount to pre-trial punishment, which is contrary to the settled principles of criminal jurisprudence and Article 21 of the Constitution of India. Material witnesses are examined by the police, petitioner – accused No.8 is ready to furnish solvent sureties and cooperate fully with the investigating agency and prayed to enlarge the petitioner – accused No.8 on bail.

4. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor submits that petitioner – accused No.8 has confessed that he has committed the offence and silver anklets weighing 577 grams were recovered from him and also drawn the attention of this Court to confessional statement of accused No.7 and prayed to dismiss the petition.

5. S.Ramesh has lodged a report before P.S. 16.09.2026. It is stated in the complaint that the approximately at 4:00 PM, a person residing next to his house called him and informed him that some thieves had entered his house. Complainant immediately returned home from Chintal. Upon reaching his house, he found that the household articles and belongings had

been scattered and were in a disorganized condition, he asked his wife what had happened, in turn she stated that out of four persons two persons caught hold of her hands and other two persons caught her by the neck stating that they would kill her if she did not hand over the keys of the almarah, they also threatened the family members. They have stolen some cash, 1 Kg of silver anklets, 1 Kg, 1 kg Kadis, ½ silver Kadis, 3 tulas Ammavari locket, gold chain, 2 tulas gold ring. Basing on the said complaint, FIR came to be registered against unknown accused.

6. Petitioner-A8 along with A7, A9 and A10 were arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 24.09.2026, since then they are in jail.

7. Remand case diary goes to show that the petitioner – accused No.8 along with A7, A9 and A10 were noticed while moving suspectbly by LW18 , on search of the car they have found some silver ornaments and recovered 577 grams. Cell phone of A8 is seized.

8. Petitioner – A8 has filed Crl.M.P.No.487 of 2026 for grant of regular bail before learned District and Sessions Judge which came to be dismissed vide order dated 08.10.2026 holding that police custody petition is pending.

9. On perusal of the remand case diary, respondent had altogether examined 18 witnesses in support of the prosecution

case. Furthermore, police custody of the petitioner – accused No.8 was taken on 14.10.2026 and 15.10.2026, interrogation of the petitioner – accused No.8 is already done by the police, this Court is of the view that investigation is at fag end, detaining the petitioner- accused No.8 further in judicial custody will not serve the purpose. Therefore, the petitioner – accused No.8 is entitled to be enlarged on bail subject to following conditions:

i) The petitioner- accused No.8 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 learned VIII Additional Judicial First Class Magistrate, Medchal.

ii) The petitioner- accused No.8 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) Petitioner – accused No.8 shall not involve in similar offence.

iv) The petitioner- accused No.8 shall abide by the conditions stipulated in Section 437(3) of Cr.P.C. (presently, Section 480(3) of the BNSS).

v) The petitioner- accused No.8 shall not directly or indirectly influence, threaten, or induce any of the prosecution witnesses.

vi) In the event of violation of any of the above conditions, the prosecution is at liberty to file an application for cancellation of bail.

11. Accordingly, this Criminal Petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

B.R.MADHUSUDHAN RAO, J

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