IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AT HYDERABAD

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

CRIMINAL PETITION No.18245 of 2026

CNR No.HBHC010760982026

DATED : 06.11.2026

BETWEEN:

Sreerama Venkata Gopi

... Petitioner-Accused

AND

1. The State of Telangana,
Rep. by the Public Prosecutor

... Respondent No.1 - State

2. (XXX)

... Respondent No.2 – defacto complainant

ORDER

1. This Criminal Petition is filed under Sections 480 and 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (BNSS) praying this Court to enlarge the petitioner on bail who is arrayed as accused in connection with Crime No.380 of 2026 of P.S. Begumpet, Hyderabad. The offences alleged against the petitioner-accused are punishable under Sections 64(2)m, 318(4) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNS Act').

2. Heard Ms. Rajasri Manche (M/s.RJM Law Office), learned counsel for petitioner-accused and Sri D.Arun Kumar, learned Additional Public Prosecutor for respondent - State.

3. Learned Counsel for the petitioner submits that on 06.06.2026, just two days prior to the registration of the FIR, the petitioner-accused was brutally attacked with knives by hostile members of the opposing family in Crime No.283 of 2026 registered at Chilkalguda Police Station under Section 109 of the BNS. Petitioner-accused is falsely implicated in the present crime, he is arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 07.10.2026. Counsel further submits that the respondent no.2-complainant has given her Notarized affidavit on 29.10.2026 which is attested by P.Satyanarayana Murthy, Advocate & Notary, wherein in the affidavit she stated that she has no complaint or grievance whatsoever against her husband – Sreerama Venkata Gopi. The present FIR came to be registered without her knowledge, consent or intention, entire investigation is completed and prayed to enlarge the petitioner-accused on bail.

4. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor submits that the victim has to be examined by the Medical Officer, her statement under Section 183 of BNSS has to be recorded.

5.1. Notice issued to the de facto complainant is served and proof is filed to that effect.

5.2. Victim is present in person in the open Court and she repeated the same contentions which are stated in her Notarized affidavit.

6. Victim has lodged a report before P.S. Begumpet on 08.06.2026. It is stated in the complaint that for the past 4 years, Gopi is staying separately. In the month of August, 2019, a farewell celebration of Hasini is held in Guntur, she left home after informing her Aunt. She stayed in her mother's house since March, 2026 and informed the watchman to look after everyone. On 19.01.2026, she came to know that Gopi went to Vijayawada for Hasini and married her and she stayed away from the child till May, 2026. Basing on the said complaint, FIR came to be registered.

7. Petitioner-accused is arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 07.10.2026. Remand case diary goes to show that respondent-State has altogether examined 9 witnesses in support of the case.

8. Complainant has executed an affidavit before P.Satyanarayana Murthy, Advocate & Notary, Baghlingampally,

Hyderabad, wherein she stated that she has no complaint or grievance whatsoever against the petitioner-accused, the present FIR was registered without her knowledge, consent or intention. Certain external family members who resented their peaceful cohabitation took advantage of a blank paper bearing her signature.

9. Even otherwise, record goes to show that major portion of the investigation is completed.

10. This Court is conscious of the fact that the statement of the victim has to be recorded under Section 183 of BNS and she has to be medically examined, since investigation is completed, detaining the petitioner-accused further in judicial custody will not serve the purpose. Hence, the 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 XI Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate at secunderabad.
ii. The petitioner-accused shall appear before the concerned SHO in 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.

11. Accordingly, the Criminal petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

B.R.MADHUSUDHAN RAO, J

6th November, 2026
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