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**IN THE COURT OF THE PRL. DISTRICT & SESSIONS  
 JUDGE, AT: CHITRADURGA**

Present: **Sri Ron Vasudev, B.Com,LL.B.(Spl)**  
*Prl. District & Sessions Judge,  
 Chitradurga*

**Dated this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026**

**Crl.Misc.273/2026**

<b>Petitioner: (A.1)</b>	J.P.Prabhakara S/o Late Parameshappa, Aged about 40 years, R/o Siddarahalli village, Lingadahalli hobli, Tarikere Taluk, Chikkamangalore District.
	(By Sri.N.Mahesh, Advocate)

/versus/

<b>Respondent:</b>	State by Hosadurga Police (By the Public Prosecutor, Chitradurga)
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**ORDER**

This petition is filed U/Sec.482 of BNSS in respect of Hosadurga police station Cr.No.499/2025 seeking anticipatory bail in respect of the offences punishable U/Ss.305, 331(4) of BNS. It is opposed by the Learned Public Prosecutor by filing his written objections.

2. I have gone through the case file and heard the arguments of Sri.GBP advocate for the accused and learned PP for the State.

3. Now the following points would arise for my consideration:

1. *Whether accused is entitled for anticipatory bail as prayed for?*
2. *What Order?*

4. On going through the case file and submission of both side, my findings on the above points are as under:-

Point No.1 – In the affirmative,

Point No.2- As per below for the following:

### **REASONS**

5. **Point No.1:-** The complaint filed by one Chethankumar S/o Late.K.Chandrappa, the Executive Officer of Sri Halu Rameshwar Temple would reveal that on 27.10.2025 at 08.00 pm the archaka of the temple having performed the regular Pooja in that temple returned to his home and on 28.10.2025 in the morning hours when he came to the temple as usual, he noticed the breaking open of the lock of the iron gate as well as the wooden doors of the temple and stealing away of 'hundi' containing approximately Rs.45,000/- to 50,000/-. Wherefore he filed complaint in Hosadurga police station and the same was registered by the said police and investigation is under progress.

6. During the investigation on 06.02.2026 the IO arrested accused No.3 and 4 and they disclosed that themselves and the present accused No.1 as well as one more absconding accused No.2 have committed theft in the said temple and have shared the hundi proceeds and they produced remaining amount with them. After completing the arrest formalities the accused No.3 and 4 were produced before the jurisdictional court and they were remanded to custody and later upon filing of Crl.Misc. No.185/2026 this court admitted them to bail vide order dated 02.03.2026.

7. Now, accused No.1 is before this court seeking anticipatory bail on the following grounds;

that he has not committed any offence as alleged against him; that entirely based on the voluntary statement of accused No.3 and 4 he has been involved in this case; that he is permanent resident of the address shown in the cause title; that he is prepared to furnish surety for his due appearance; that offences alleged are not punishable with death or imprisonment; that he would assist in the investigation and he will take the trial promptly and also that he will not tamper with prosecution evidence nor threaten the prosecution witnesses, he prays to admit him to bail.

8. On the other hand the prosecution contends that this accused No.1 along with other accused has committed theft in the temple and they stole away Rs.45,000/- to 50,000/- collected in the hundi, wherefore

it is not proper to admit them to bail and in the event if he is let on bail he may continue to commit similar such offences and also that he may not have any kind of fear of law and in the days to come this kind of incidents may recur, it prays to reject his petition.

9. On reading the case file as rightly submitted by the accused No.1 in the case in hand except the so-called voluntary statement of accused No.3 and 4, there is nothing on the record to show that this accused No.1 is also involved in the offences alleged. Even otherwise the offences alleged are not punishable with death law enforcement and involvement of this accused No.1 in any other crime is not shown by the prosecution by producing photocopies of the FIR or other documents. In the given circumstances when the accused undertakes to obey the conditions to be imposed herein and when already accused No.3 and 4 have been admitted to bail, not only on the ground of parity even on the grounds narrated above, this accused No.1 is certainly entitle for bail, but subject to conditions, wherefore I answer this point in affirmative.

10. **Point No.2:-** In the result I proceed to make the following:

### **ORDER**

Petition filed U/Sec.482 of BNSS by accused No.1 in respect of Hosadurga Police Station Cr.No.499/2025 registered for the offences punishable U/Ss.305, 331(4) of BNS is allowed on his executing personal bond in a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- with two

sureties for like sum to the satisfaction of arresting authority or to the jurisdictional court and subject to the following conditions:

1. The accused shall furnish his mobile and WhatsApp numbers, email ID (if any) and photocopy of Aadhaar cards of himself and his sureties, along with contact numbers of his sureties, as per Circular at HCC No.48/2012 dated 30.06.2025 of Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka.
2. The accused shall cooperate with the IO in investigation and shall appear before him as and when directed.
3. The accused shall appear before the jurisdictional Court and before the jurisdictional police station within thirty days from the date of this order without extending any lame excuse.
4. The accused shall not tamper prosecution evidence nor threaten the prosecution witnesses.
5. The accused shall not indulge in any unlawful act or crime hereinafter.

(Dictated directly on AI software, transmitted to the Stenographer Grade-III, computerized by her, corrected and signed by me and then pronounced in the open Court on this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026)

**(Ron Vasudev)**

Prl. District & Sessions Judge,  
Chitradurga.

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