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**IN THE COURT OF PRL DIST. & SESSIONS JUDGE, RAICHUR****Crl. Misc. No.243/2026****PRESENT*****Sri B.B. Jakati,*****B.A. LL.M,****Principal District & Sessions Judge &
C/C of II Additional Dist & Sessions Judge,
Raichur.****Dated this the 07th day of July, 2026****Petitioners:**

1. Ramesh @ Ramkumar S/o Hanumayya,
Aged about : 25 years, occ: Coolie,
2. Arun @ Arun Kumar S/o Late Shivalinga,
Gadigi, aged about: 29 years, occ:
Coolie,
3. Kiran @ S. Kirankumar Gadagi S/o
Shivalinga Gadagi, aged about: 30
years, occ: Coolie,

All are R/o Neermanvi, Tq: Manvi, Dist:
Raichur.

(Accused No.1 to 3 as per FIR).

(By Sri. I.K.H., Advocate)

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Respondent:

The State through SHO, Manvi Police
Station, Manvi, Dist. Raichur.

(Through learned Public Prosecutor)

ORDER

This petition is filed under Section 482 of BNSS, for anticipatory bail in Cr.No.**137/2026** of Manvi Police Station, Manvi which is registered for the offences punishable under Sections 79, 74, 115(2), 118(1), 352, 351(2) R/w Sec.3(5) of BNS.

2. The petitioners have contended that they are innocent of the alleged offences and that a false case has been foisted against them. There are no reasonable grounds to believe that they are guilty of the offences alleged against them. They are permanently residing at the address mentioned in the cause title. They do not have any criminal antecedents. They are ready to cooperate with the investigation and to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by the Court. On these and other grounds set out in the petition, they have prayed for anticipatory bail.

3. The prosecution, in its objection, has contended that there are sufficient grounds to believe that the petitioners have committed the said offences. If released on bail, they may commit similar offences, may not cooperate with the investigation, and may tamper with the prosecution witnesses. On these grounds, the prosecution has prayed for rejection of the petition.

4. Heard argument of both sides and perused the records.

5. The only point that arises for my consideration is:

Whether the petitioners are entitled for anticipatory bail ?

6. My finding is in the **affirmative** for the following;

REASONS

7. The case of the prosecution as could be from the records is that the first informant was a student pursuing her studies at a college in Manvi. During the relevant period, accused No.1 allegedly used to follow the complainant and repeatedly demand sexual favours from her. The complainant refused his advances. It is further alleged that on 12.04.2026, at about 9:30 a.m., accused No. 1 used criminal force against the complainant and sexually harassed her. Thereafter, the complainant informed her brother about the incident. It is further alleged that on 13.04.2026, when the complainant's brother questioned accused No. 1 regarding his conduct, all the accused, acting in furtherance of their common intention, assaulted him and voluntarily caused him hurt. Thus, it is alleged that the accused persons committed the offences punishable under the relevant provisions of law.

8. Except for the offences punishable under Sections 118(1) and 74 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (BNS), the remaining offences are bailable in nature. The alleged offences are not punishable with death or imprisonment for life. The prosecution has not produced the wound certificates of the injured persons to ascertain the nature and gravity of the injuries allegedly sustained by them. The petitioners are permanent residents of the stated addresses, and their presence can be readily secured for the purposes of investigation as well as trial. Whether the petitioners have committed the alleged offences is a matter that can only be determined during the course of the trial. At this stage, custodial interrogation of the petitioners does not appear to be necessary. In the event of their arrest, they would be subjected to unnecessary humiliation and hardship. Accordingly, this Court is of the opinion that the petitioners are entitled to be enlarged on anticipatory bail, subject to appropriate conditions. Accordingly, I answer this

point in the **affirmative** and proceed to pass the following;

ORDER

The petition filed under Sec.482 of BNSS, is hereby allowed.

The Manvi Police is hereby directed to release the petitioners on anticipatory bail in the event of their arrest in Cr.No.**137/2026** on executing bail bonds for a sum of Rs.50,000/- each with one surety for the like-sum, subject to the following conditions;

1. They shall surrender before the concerned court within 15 days from the date of this order and execute personal & surety bonds.
2. They shall furnish ID proof of themselves and surety.
3. They shall co-operate with the investigation.
4. They shall not tamper or threaten the prosecution witnesses.

(Dictated to the Steno Grade-III, transcribed and typed by him in the computer, corrected, signed and then pronounced by me in the open court, on this the 7th day of July, 2026).

(B.B. Jakati)

Principal District & Sessions Judge &
C/C of II Additional Dist & Sessions Judge,
Raichur.

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