

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI

THURSDAY, THE TWELFTH DAY OF FEBRUARY

TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE DR JUSTICE VENKATA JYOTHIRMAI PRATAPA

CRIMINAL PETITION NO: 818 OF 2026



Between:

Pocha Reddy Babu Reddy, S/o. P. Narayana Reddy, aged about 70 years, R/o. Eswarawaka Village, Chittamuru Mandal, Tirupati District.

Petitioner/ Petitioner Accused

AND

1. The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep by its Public Prosecutor for the High Court of Andhra Pradesh, at Amaravathi.

Respondent

2. Ravilla Chenchu Gopal Naidu, S/o. Late Chenchu Rama Naidu, aged about 52 years, R/o. Kayyuru Village and Post, Balayapalli Mandal, SPSR Nellore District.

Respondent/ Respondent Complainants

Petition under Sections 480 & 483 of BNSS (Old Sections 437 & 439 of Cr.P.C), is filed praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the Criminal Petition, the High Court may be pleased to, praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the Criminal Petition, the High Court may be pleased to enlarge the petitioner on bail in C.C No.26 of 2024 on the file of Judicial Magistrate of First Class, Venkatagiri, Nellore District.

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Petition under Section 151 CPC praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to enlarge the Petitioner on Interim Bail in C.C No.26 of 2024 on the file of Judicial Magistrate of First Class, Venkatagiri, Nellore District, and Pending disposal of CRLP 818 of 2026, on the file of the High Court.

The petition/Appeal coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Petition and the affidavit filed in support thereof and upon hearing the arguments of T D PANI KUMAR Advocate for the Petitioner(s), PUBLIC PROSECUTOR for the Respondent Nos.1 & 2 and the Court made the following.

ORDER:

THE HONOURABLE DR JUSTICE VENKATA JYOTHIRMAI PRATAPA**CRIMINAL PETITION No: 818 of 2026****Order:**

The Criminal Petition under Sections 480 and 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for brevity 'the BNSS'), has been filed by the petitioner/accused, seeking regular bail in C.C.No.26 of 2024 on the file of the learned Judicial Magistrate of First Class, Venkatagiri.

2. A case has been registered against the petitioner for the offence punishable under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act and the same was numbered as C.C.No.26 of 2024 on the file of the learned Judicial Magistrate of First Class, Venkatagiri.

3. During the course of trial, NBW was issued against the petitioner on 04.10.2024 for his non-appearance before the trial Court for the purpose of examination under Section 251 Cr.P.C., and on execution of NBW, he was produced before the learned Magistrate on 17.01.2026 and after completion of examination, he filed CrI.M.P.No.27 of 2026 seeking to enlarge him on bail and the same was dismissed on 23.01.2026.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner was aged about 70 years and he is suffering with hypertension, heavy diabetic and neuro problems. The petitioner has been languishing in jail since 17.01.2026. The petitioner is permanent resident of Eswarawaka Village, Chittamuru

Mandal, Tirupati District and he undertakes to abide with the conditions impose by the Court and hence, prays to allow the petition.

5. Smt. K. Pallavi, learned counsel appeared on behalf of respondent No.2 and opposed the petition.

6. Learned Assistant Public Prosecutor is in attendance and submits that the Court may pass appropriate orders.

7. Considering the submissions made and taking into account of the age of the petitioner as 70 years and period of his detention, the Criminal Petition is allowed, subject to the following conditions:

i) Petitioner/Accused shall be released on bail on his executing a personal bond for Rs.20,000/- (Rupees twenty thousand only) with two sureties for a like sum each to the satisfaction of the learned Judicial Magistrate of First Class, Venkatagiri.

ii) The petitioner is directed to cooperate with the trial and he shall appear before the trial Court as and when necessary. In case of his absence, he has to submit an application to condone his absence on that particular day with proper reasons assigned.

iii) The trial Judge is directed to dispose of the main case i.e., C.C.No.26 of 2024 as expeditiously as possible without granting any adjournments in a casual manner on mere asking.

As a sequel thereto, the miscellaneous petitions pending, if any, shall stand closed.

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SD/- K.SRINIVASA RAJU
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. Ravilla Chenchu Gopal Naidu, S/o. Late Chenchu Rama Naidu, aged about 52 years, R/o. Kayyuru Village and Post, Balayapalli Mandal, SPSR Nellore District. (by RPAD)
2. One CC to SRI. T D PANI KUMAR Advocate [OPUC]
3. Two CC's to Public Prosecutor, High Court of AP at Amaravati. [OUT]
4. One spare copy

HIGH COURT

DR.VJP,J

DATED: 12/02/2026

ORDER

CRLP.No.818 of 2026

ALLOWED

