

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATHI

WEDNESDAY, THE NINETEENTH DAY OF MARCH

TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE

:PRESENT:

HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE K SURESH REDDY

AND

HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE V.SUJATHA



IA No. 1 OF 2025

IN

CRLA NO: 285 OF 2020

Between:

Munagala Keshava Reddy, S/o late M Vema Reddy, aged about 51 years,
R/o. Gajjalavandla palte Village, Gandlapenta Mandal, Anantapuramu District.

...Petitioner/Accused No.8

AND

The State, Rep. by Public Prosecutor, High Court of Andhra Pradesh,
Amaravathi.

...Respondent

Petition under Section 430 (1) of BNSS, praying that in the circumstances stated in the memorandum of grounds filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased release the petitioner on bail by suspending the execution of sentence passed in S.C.No.482/2016 on the file of the special judge for trial of cases under SC and ST (POT) Act- cum-VIII Additional Sessions Judge, Ananthapuramu vide its judgment dt.05.02.2020, Pending disposal of CRLA No. 285 of 2020, on the file of the High Court.

Counsel for the Petitioner : M/s OMR Law Firm

Counsel for the Respondent : Public Prosecutor

The Court made the following

ORDER:

“The present application is filed by the petitioner/appellant/A.8 under Section 430(1) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, seeking his release on bail by suspending the sentence of imprisonment imposed by the learned Special Judge for Trial of SCs & STs Cases – cum – VIII Additional Sessions Judge, Ananthapuramu, vide S.C.No.482 of 2016, dated 05.02.2020, pending the present Criminal Appeal before this Court.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner/appellant/A.8 contends that immediately after pronouncement of judgment, the petitioner/appellant/A.8 was taken into custody and the petitioner/A.8 is undergoing imprisonment in Central Prison, Kadapa. He further contends that the petitioner/appellant/A.8 has undergone five (05) years, four (04) months and seventeen (17) days of actual sentence. The learned counsel for the petitioner/appellant/A.8 further contends that as the appeal is of the year-2020, it takes some more time to come up for “Final Hearing”. As such, he requests this Court to enlarge the petitioner/appellant/ A.8 on bail in terms of the order, dated 02.11.2016, passed by the Combined High Court in *Batchu Rangarao and others Vs The State of Andhra Pradesh (Crl.A.M.P.No.1687 of 2016 in Crl.A.No.607 of 2011)*.

3. On the other hand, the learned Additional Public Prosecutor, on instructions, states that the case of the petitioner/appellant/A.8 does not fall within the prohibitory categories as envisaged in the above referred order.

4. In view of the same, this Court is inclined to enlarge him on bail by suspending the sentence of imprisonment imposed by the learned Sessions Judge pending the present Criminal Appeal.

5. The petitioner/appellant/A.8 is directed to be released on bail on his executing a personal bond for Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) with two (02) sureties for a like sum each to the satisfaction of the learned Additional Judicial Magistrate of First Class, Kadiri.
6. The petitioner/appellant/A.8 is directed to report before the Station House Officer concerned, once in a month i.e., 1st of every month. The petitioner/appellant/ A.8 is also directed to appear before this Court whenever the case stands posted for hearing.
7. Accordingly, with the above directions, this application is allowed."

SD/-SK MD RAFI
/ ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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SECTION OFFICER

For /

To,

1. The Additional Judicial Magistrate of First Class, Kadiri.
2. The Special Judge for Trial of SCs & STs Cases – cum – VIII Additional Sessions Judge, Ananthapuramu.
3. The Superintendent, Central Prison, Kadapa, YSR Kadapa District.
4. One CC to M/s O M R Law Firm [OPUC]
5. Two CCs to Public Prosecutor (AP) High Court of Andhra Pradesh [OUT]
6. Two spare copies

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HIGH COURT

KSR,J & VS,J

DATED:19/03/2025

ORDER

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ALLOWED

