



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
AT AMARAVATI
(Special Original Jurisdiction)**

[3396]

THURSDAY, THE TWENTY THIRD DAY OF APRIL
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE DR JUSTICE VENKATA JYOTHIRMAI PRATAPA

CRIMINAL PETITION NO: 2716/2026

Between:

1. SYED RAFI, S/O SUDANI, AGED ABOUT 38 YEARS. OCCUPATION
SOFTWARE ENGINEER, R/O D.NO.2-49, REDDYGUDEM,
RAJUPALEM, PALNADU DISTRICT

...PETITIONER/ACCUSED

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, rep. by its Public
Prosecutor, High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Nelapadu, Amaravati, Guntur
District. Through the Station House Officer, Pedakakani Police Station,
Guntur District

...RESPONDENT/COMPLAINANT

Petition under Section 437/438/439/482 of Cr.P.C and 528 of BNSS
praying that in the circumstances stated in the Memorandum of Grounds of
Criminal Petition, the High Court pleased to direct the Petitioner/Accused No.1
to be enlarged on bail in the event of his arrest in connection with FIR
No.208/2024 dated 25.5.2024 on the file of Pedakakani Police Station,
Guntur District u/s Sec 302, 304B, 498-A of IPC, Section 3 and 4 of DPA in
the interests of justice, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner/accused:

1. N BHARATH SIMHA REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent/complainant:

1. PUBLIC PROSECUTOR

The Court made the following:

THE HONOURABLE DR JUSTICE VENKATA JYOTHIRMAI PRATAPA

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ORDER:

The Criminal Petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for brevity 'the BNSS') by the Petitioner/Accused No.1 for granting of pre-arrest bail in connection with Crime No.208 of 2024 of Pedakakani Police Station, Guntur District, registered for the alleged offence punishable under Section 302, 304-B, 498-A, Section 3 and 4 of Dowry Prohibition Act altered from Section 174 of Cr.P.C.

2. Heard Mr. N.Bharath Simha Reddy, learned counsel for the petitioner/accused No.1 and Mrs.K.Priyanka Lakshmi, learned Assistant Public Prosecutor on behalf of the State.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petition may be disposed of by granting liberty to the petitioner to surrender before the learned Jurisdictional Magistrate and to move a regular bail application, and that a direction may be issued to dispose of the said application as expeditiously as possible.

4. The learned Assistant Public Prosecutor would submit that the Court may pass appropriate orders.

5. Considering the submissions made, the Criminal Petition is disposed of giving liberty to the petitioner/accused No.1 to surrender before the learned

Jurisdictional Court concerned within one (01) week from the date of receipt of copy of this order, and move an appropriate application before the learned Jurisdictional Court concerned. The learned Jurisdictional Court concerned is directed to dispose of the said application in accordance with law, on its own merits by giving due and sufficient opportunity to the learned Public Prosecutor concerned, and pass appropriate orders as expeditiously as possible.

As a sequel thereto, the miscellaneous petitions, if any, pending in this Criminal Petition shall stand closed.

DR.VENKATA JYOTHIRMAI PRATAPA, J

Date: 23.04.2026

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