

HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI**MAIN CASE No: CrI.P.No.3778 of 2026****PROCEEDING SHEET**

Sl. No.	DATE	ORDER	OFFICE NOTE
01.	01.05.2026	<u>Dr.YLR,J</u> Heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and the learned Assistant Public Prosecutor. Issue notice to respondent No.2. The learned counsel for the petitioners is permitted to take out personal notice on respondent No.2 and file proof to that effect. The alleged offences levelled against the Petitioners/Accused are punishable with imprisonment for less than seven (07) years. In the meanwhile, the Investigating Officer is directed to comply with the guidelines issued by the Hon'ble Apex Court in Arnesh Kumar v. State of Bihar¹, and also with the provisions of Section 35(3) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for brevity, 'the BNSS'). However, the petitioners are directed to cooperate with the Investigating Officer, and the Investigating Officer may proceed with the further investigation. In the course of investigation, if it is noticed that the petitioners have committed any offence punishable with imprisonment beyond seven years, the Investigating Officer is at liberty to	Contd...

¹ (2014) 8 SCC 273

proceed in accordance with law.

Considering the entire facts and circumstances of the case, the matter is referred to mediation.

Mr. Renu Chakravarthy Kanadam, learned trained Mediator, is appointed as the Mediator in this case.

The Secretary, High Court Legal Services Committee, is directed to issue necessary proceedings in that regard.

The fee for the Mediator shall be fixed at a later point of time.

The petitioners and Respondent No.2 are directed to appear before the learned Mediator on 08.05.2026 or on any other convenient date for the parties and the Mediator.

The Station House Officer concerned is hereby directed to secure the presence of the parties before the Mediator for amicable settlement.

Post the matter after Summer Vacation–2026, for the Mediator's report.

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Dr.YLR,J

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