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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI

FRIDAY, THE EIGHTH DAY OF MAY

TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE B V L N CHAKRAVARTHI

IA No. 1 OF 2026

IN

CRLA NO: 334 OF 2026



Between:

Manapragada Ramana Rao, S/o. Subba Rao, aged about 66 years, Occ.
Assistant Manager(Accounts), SBI, R/o. D.No. 3-348, Rama Krishna
Nagar, Rajahmundry - 533101

...Appellant/Accused No.4

AND

The State of Andhra Pradesh., Rep .by Spl. Public Prosecutor, Central
Bereau of Investigation, High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Amaravati -
522238

...Respondent/Complainant

Counsel for the Petitioner : SRI B S RAMA KRISHNA

Counsel for the Respondent : SRI P S P SURESH KUMAR, Spl. Public
Prosecutor for CBI

Petition under Section 151 CPC is filed, 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 / Accused No. 4 on bail by
suspending the sentence imposed on the petitioner / Accused No.4 by
Judgment, dated 17.04.2026 in CC No. 32 of 2014, on the file of the court of I
Additional Special Judge for CBI Cases, Visakhapatnam, Pending disposal of
CRLA No. 334 of 2026, on the file of the High Court.

The court, while directing issue of notice to the Respondents herein to show cause as to why this application should not be complied with, made the following order.(The receipt of this order will be deemed to be the receipt of notice in the case).

ORDER

Heard learned counsel Sri B.S.Rama Krishna, learned counsel for the petitioner/appellant/convict/A4 and Sri M. Sravan Kumar, learned Special Public Prosecutor for CBI.

Petitioner is accused No.4 in C.C. No.32 of 2014 on the file of the I Additional Special Judge for CBI Cases, Visakhapatnam.

Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner/convict/A4 was convicted for the offence under Sections 120-B, 420 of IPC and Section 13(1)(d) r/w 13(2) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988. He was sentenced to undergo simple imprisonment for a period of three (03) years and to pay a fine of Rs.5000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only), in default, shall undergo simple imprisonment for a period of one (01) month for the offence under Section 13(1)(d)r/w 13(2) of PC Act, 1988.

He was further sentenced to undergo simple imprisonment for a period of two (02) years and to pay a fine of Rs.5000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only), in default, shall undergo simple imprisonment for a period of one (01) month for the offence under Section 120-B IPC.

He was also further sentenced to undergo simple imprisonment for a period of two (02) years and to pay a fine of Rs.5000/-(Rupees Five Thousand only), in default, shall undergo simple imprisonment for a period of one (01) month for the offence under Section 420 IPC.

Learned counsel for the petitioner/appellant/A4 would further submit that the petitioner paid the fine amount and filed original receipt along with the appeal grounds.

Learned counsel for the petitioner/appellant would further submit that the petitioner was released on bail by the learned trial Court under Section 389(3) of Cr.P.C., corresponding to Section 430(3) of BNSS, 2023 to enable him to file the appeal. The appellant preferred the appeal, challenging the judgment on various grounds. He would further submit that the sentence of imprisonment imposed by the learned trial Court is a fixed sentence for a period of three (03) years, and there are fair chances to succeed in the appeal, and there is no possibility of taking the appeal in the near future. Therefore, the order of sentence of imprisonment imposed by the trial Court may be suspended, pending disposal of the appeal and the appellant may be released on bail.

Learned Special Public Prosecutor for CBI opposed the application

Considering the submissions, facts of the case and as the sentence imposed by the trial Court is fixed a sentence of three (03) years, and as there is no likelihood for taking the appeal in the near future, *"the order of sentence of imprisonment alone imposed by the learned | Additional Special Judge for CBI Cases, Visakhapatnam, vide judgment dated 17.04.2026 passed in C.C.No.32 of 2014 be suspended, pending disposal of the appeal, subject to the same terms and conditions imposed by the learned trial Court in the application filed U/s.389(3) of Cr.P.C., 1973 equivalent to Section 430(3) of BNSS, 2023 in addition to the following conditions":*

- i. The petitioner/appellant/accused/A4 shall not leave the country without permission of the Court.
- ii. If the petitioner/appellant/accused/A4 violates any of the above conditions, the prosecution is at liberty to file an application seeking cancellation of the bail.

Accordingly, the application is ordered.

SD/- U.SRIDEVI
DEPUTY REGISTRAR

SECTION OFFICER

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To,

1. The I Addl. Special Judge for CBI Cases, Visakhapatnam.
2. The One CC to SRI. B S RAMA KRISHNA Advocate [OPUC]
3. One CC to SRI. P S P SURESH KUMAR, Spl. Public Prosecutor for CBI Advocate [OPUC]
4. The Section Officer, Criminal Section, High Court of Andhra Pradesh.
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HIGH COURT

BVLNC, J

DATED:08/05/2026

ORDER

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SUSPENSION

