



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

[3521]

FRIDAY, THE EIGHTH DAY OF MAY
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE DR JUSTICE Y. LAKSHMANA RAO

CRIMINAL PETITION NO: 4331/2026

Between:

1. VILLURI VENKATA RAMANA MURTHY, S/O LATE MAHALAKSHMI NAIDU, AGED 65 YEARS, OCC CHEF EDITOR, PRINTER AND PUBLISHER, SANCHALANA VAARTHA PATRIKA LEADER, R/O DOOR. NO 58-14-109/5, LEADER COMPOUND, VUDA LAYOUT, MARRIPALEM, VISAKHAPATNAM - 530 009

...PETITIONER/ACCUSED

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY STATION HOUSE OFFICER, MAHARANIPETA POLICE STATION, VISAKHAPATNAM CITY, REP. BY PUBLIC PROSECUTOR, HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH, NELAPADU VILLAGE, THULLUR MANDAL, AMARAVATI, GUNTUR DISTRICT - 522 238

2. POLURU SRILEKHA, D/O. P. RANGAIAH NAIDU, AGED ABOUT 34 YEARS. PRESENTLY WORKING AS MEMBER SECRETARY, AP MEDICAL SERVICES RECRUITMENT BOARD. R/O DOCTORS COLONY, SEETHAMMADHARA, VISAKHAPATNAM CITY.

...RESPONDENT/COMPLAINANT(S):

Counsel for the Petitioner/accused:

1. MEKA RAHUL CHOWDARY

Counsel for the Respondent/complainant(S):

1. PUBLIC PROSECUTOR

The Court made the following:

ORDER:

Criminal Petition has been filed under Section 528 Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita Act, 2023 (for brevity the 'BNSS') by the Petitioners/Accused Nos.1 to 6, seeking to quash the proceedings against him in Crime No.13 of 2025 on the file of the Maharanipeta Police Station registered for the alleged offences punishable under Sections 351(4), 356(2) and 308(2) read with 62 read with 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (for brevity, 'the BNS').

2. Heard the learned Counsel for the Petitioner and the learned Assistant Public Prosecutor.

3. After thorough investigation, the Inspector of Police submitted a report to the Assistant Commissioner of Police stating that the investigation revealed insufficient evidence and requested permission to refer the case as "insufficient evidence." Such permission is presently awaited from the Commissioner of Police. Therefore, the Commissioner of Police, Visakhapatnam, is directed to accord the necessary permission on the request submitted by the Inspector of Police, Maharanipeta Police Station, in accordance with law.

4. Accordingly, the Criminal Petition is disposed of.

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

Dr. Y. LAKSHMANA RAO,J

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Date: 08.05.2026

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