



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

[3396]

WEDNESDAY, THE THIRD DAY OF DECEMBER
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE DR JUSTICE VENKATA JYOTHIRMAI PRATAPA

CRIMINAL PETITION NO: 12501/2025

Between:

1.VARRY JOSHAF SEKAHR, S/O LATE V. RATHAN BABU,
OCCUPATION FOREMAN, ELECTRICAL (CME DEPT.),
VISAKHAPATNAM STEEL PLANT, UKKUNAGARAM, R/O QUARTER
NO.105/B, SECTOR-9, UKKUNAGARAM, VISAKHAPATNAM -
530032.

...PETITIONER/ACCUSED

AND

1.THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY ITS PUBLIC
PROSECUTOR, HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH,
AMARAVATI. 2.

2.VARRY JAYA SEELA, W/O VARRY JOSHAF SEKHAR, AGED ABOUT
48 YEARS, R/O D.NO.30-4-12, DUGGAVANIPALERN,
KURMANAPALEM VISAKHAPATNAM - 530046.

...RESPONDENT/COMPLAINANT(S):

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 Quash the FIR No.123/2025
dated 27.06.2025, registered at Mahila Police Station, Visakhapatnam
commissionerate, under Section 85 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023,
and Sections 3 and 4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961, against the
Petitioner Pass

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Petition under Section 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 may be pleased to stay all coercive proceedings in connection with FIR No. 123/2025, Mahila Police Station, Visakhapatnam Commissionerate and Pass such other order(s) as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case and in the interest of justice.

Counsel for the Petitioner/accused:

1.MUPPIDI RUPESH BHARATH BHUSHAN

Counsel for the Respondent/complainant(S):

1.PUBLIC PROSECUTOR

THE HONOURABLE DR JUSTICE VENKATA JYOTHIRMAI PRATAPA**CRIMINAL PETITION NO: 12501/2025****ORDER:**

The instant Criminal Petition under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (for short, 'Cr.P.C.') / under Section 528 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short, 'BNSS') has been filed by the petitioner seeking quashment of the proceedings in FIR No.123 of 2025 dated 27.06.2025 of Mahila Police Station, Visakhapatnam, for the offences punishable under Section 85 of the BNS and Sections 3 and 4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act.

2. Heard Sri M.Rupesh Bharath Bhushan, learned counsel for the petitioner and Ms.K.Priyanka Lakshmi, learned Assistant Public are in attendance.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the matter is at the crime stage and that the petitioner, being the husband, is facing allegations for the offences punishable under Section 498-A and Sections 3 and 4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act.

4. This Court is of the opinion that the matter is at the investigation stage. At this juncture, this Court cannot quash the proceedings without giving a free hand to the police to conduct investigation.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner has pointed out certain contradictions allegedly made by respondent No.2 in the present complaint as well as in her

petition seeking maintenance in F.C.O.P. No.1432 of 2025 pending before the Family Court, Visakhapatnam. This is not the stage to look into such aspects.

6. At this juncture, learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that, without causing any prejudice to the rights and contentions of the petitioner, this petition may be disposed of.

7. In view thereof, the Criminal Petition is disposed of.

Consequently, miscellaneous petitions, pending if any, shall stand closed.

Dr. JUSTICE VENKATA JYOTHIRMAI PRATAPA

Date: 03.12.2025
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