

**IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AT
HYDERABAD**

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.3252 of 2026

DATE : 10.03.2026

Between:

Renikunta Shiva Kumasr and two others

.... Petitioners/accused Nos.2 to 4

AND

The State of Telangana,
Rep. by its Public Prosecutor,
High Court at Hyderabad,
Through SHO, P.S. Sirpur – T).

.... Respondent

ORDER:

This Criminal Petition is filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS') seeking grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioners, who are arrayed as accused in Crime No.21 of 2026 of Sirpur-T Police Station, Kumrum Bheem, Asifabad District, Telangana, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 318(4),

319(2), 336(3), 340(2), 338 Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), 2023.

2. The case of the prosecution, in brief, is that on 24.02.2026 the *de-facto* complainant/District Manager lodged a report before the Police stating that there is an agreement between the Government and accused Nos.1 to 4 and they are running Sri Sai Balaji Agrotech Rice Mill at “X” Road, Venkatraopet village, and they submitted a Bank Guarantee bearing No.0056IBG003826, dated 20.01.2026, for an amount of Rs.7,51,54,066/- (Rupees Seven Crores Fifty One Lakhs Fifty Four Thousand Sixty Six Only). On verification with Branch Manager, Bank of India, K.B.Asifabad, they came to know that the number did not tally with the bank, and that the Capital letter “1” in “IBG” has been replaced with the numeral “1”, leading to further suspicion and confusion. Therefore, the complainant requested the Police to take necessary action. Basing on the said report, the Police registered the case in Crime No.21 of 2026, for the offences punishable under Sections 318(4), 336(3), 340(2), 338 of BNS, 2023, against the petitioners/accused Nos.1 to 4. The accused No.1 was already arrested on 02.03.2026 and he is in judicial custody.

3. Heard Sri Vinod Kumar Deshpande, learned Senior Counsel representing Sri E.Upender, learned counsel appearing for the petitioners, and Sri Palle Nageswar Rao, learned Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent-State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners/accused Nos.2 to 4 are in no way connected with the alleged offence and that they are only helping in the said rice mill, and there are no specific allegations against the petitioners/accused. Even according to the prosecution case, the remand report shows that they addressed a letter to the Bank Manager informing that it is a genuine Guarantee, and there are no such offences committed by the petitioners/accused Nos.2 to 4. Therefore, the custody of the petitioners is not required for further investigation. Therefore, he prayed the Court to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioners by allowing this Criminal Petition.

5. On the other hand, the learned Public Prosecutor opposed the same, stating that the petitioners herein have actively been involved in the said conspiracy at the instance of accused No.1, and accused Nos.2 to 4 has submitted the fabricated guarantee to loss to the Government, and accused No.1 has been taken into police custody. At this juncture, the

petitioners are not entitled to the grant of anticipatory bail. Therefore, he prays the Court to dismiss the Petitions.

6. Considering the submission made by both the parties the petitioners herein are the accused Nos.2 to 4, and petitioner No.2 is the wife of petitioner No.1 and they are partners in the said business. However, the allegations appear to be primarily against accused No.1 that he forged the Bank Guarantee, and even according to the remand report, as on today, the Bank Authorities have informed the investigating authority that it is a genuine guarantee.

7. In view of the above, this Court deems it appropriate to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioners, subject to the following conditions:

- i. The petitioners shall surrender before the Station House Officer, Sirpur-T Police Station, Kumrum Bheem, Asifabad District, within two weeks from today, and on such surrender, the said Station House Officer shall release them on bail on executing a personal bond for Rs.25,000/- each, with two sureties, for the like sum each.

- ii. The petitioners shall abide by the other conditions stipulated in Section 482(2) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 and co-operate with the Investigating Officer in investigating the case.
- iii. The petitioners shall appear before the concerned Investigating Officer on every Monday between 09:00 a.m, and 05:00 p.m., for a period of 8 weeks or till the filing of the charge sheet, whichever is earlier, and thereafter, as and when required.

7. Accordingly, this Criminal Petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

K. SUJANA, J

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