

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

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.4154 of 2026

DATE : 31.03.2026

Between:

Ankitha @ Rani.

...Petitioner/Accused

AND

The State of Telangana
Rep. by its Public Prosecutor,
High Court at Hyderabad.

...Respondent/Complainant

ORDER:

This Criminal Petition is filed before this Court for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner who is arrayed as accused in Crime No.272 of 2025 before the Chatrinaka Police Station, Hyderabad, registered for the offences punishable under Section 118(1) r/w 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (for short 'BNS').

2. The case of the prosecution is that the *de-facto* complainant, lodged a report before the police on 17.06.2025

stating that her son had marital disputes with the petitioner, since their marriage. It is further alleged that the petitioner, along with her relatives, had previously assaulted the son of the de-facto complainant and subsequently, left the matrimonial home. Thereafter, the petitioner is alleged to have continuously instigated and mentally harassed the deceased, preventing him from interacting with his children and allegedly maintaining an illicit relationship. Due to continuous harassment and depression, as the petitioner is not allowing the deceased to see his children, the deceased committed suicide on 17.06.2025. Hence requested the police for taking necessary action. On receipt of the said complaint, the Police registered case against the petitioner for the offences as alleged. Aggrieved thereby, this Criminal Petition is filed seeking anticipatory bail of the petitioner.

3. Heard Sri Mohd. Muzaferullah Khan, learned counsel for the petitioner as well as Sri M. Rama Chandra Reddy, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the respondent - State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent of the said allegations. It is further

submitted that there is no material in the complaint to establish that the petitioner abetted the deceased to commit suicide. Even otherwise, the averments in the complaint do not constitute the alleged offence. It is further submitted that the petitioner is ready to cooperate with the investigating authority, therefore, prayed the Court to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioner by allowing this criminal petition.

5. On the other hand, the learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, contending that the alleged offences are grievous in nature and that the material part of the investigation is not yet completed. At this stage, the petitioner is not entitled to the grant of anticipatory bail. Therefore, he prayed the Court to dismiss the criminal petition.

6. In light of the submissions made by both the learned counsel and upon perusal of the material available on record, it appears that the allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner did not permit the deceased to meet his children, which is stated to have led him into depression and ultimately the deceased committed suicide, however there is no material on record, at this stage to substantiate the acts of abetment

attributed to the petitioner. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court deems it fit to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioner, subject to compliance of the following conditions:

- i. The petitioner shall surrender before the Station House Officer, Chatrinaka Police Station, Hyderabad, within two weeks from today, and on such surrender, the said Station House Officer shall release him on bail, on petitioner executing a personal bond for Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only), with two sureties, for the like sum each.
- ii. The petitioner 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 petitioner shall appear before the concerned Investigating Officer on every Monday between 09:00 a.m, and 05:00 p.m., till the filing of the charge sheet 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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