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

**TUESDAY, THE FIFTH DAY OF MAY
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY SIX**

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION NO: 6308 OF 2026

Between:

Chitukula Sandeep,, S/o Chitukula Venkanna, age-28 years, Occ. business
R/o Flat No.101, 0 Star Hills, Panchavathi Colony, Manikonda, N/o Bachanapeta
Village and Mandal, Janagam District

...PETITIONER/ACCUSED NO.1

AND

The State of Telangana,, Rep. by its Public Prosecutor, Through Narsing Police
Station, High Court at Hyderabad.

...RESPONDENT/RESPONDENT

Petition under Section 482 of BNSS Act praying that in the circumstances stated
in the Memorandum of Grounds of Criminal Petition, the High Court may be pleased
to enlarge the petitioner /accused No.1 on bail in the event of his arrest against the
Order dated 16.04.2026 passed in Cr1.M.P.No.166 of 2026, dt:16.04.2026 in Crime
No.386 of 2026 on the file of the X Additional District and Sessions Judge, Ranga
Reddy District at Rajendra Nagar.

This Petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Memorandum of Grounds
of Criminal Petition and upon hearing the arguments of Sri RAPOLU BHASKAR ,
Advocate for the Petitioner and the Additional Public Prosecutor (TG) on behalf of
the Sole Respondent.

The Court made the following: ORDER



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DATE: 05.05.2026

BETWEEN:

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..... Petitioner/
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Through Narsing Police Station,
High Court at Telangana.

..... Respondent

ORDER

This Criminal Petition is filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS') for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner, who is arrayed as accused No.1 in Crime No.386 of 2026 before the Narsing Police Station, Cyberabad District, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 318(4), 319, 112, 335, 336(2), 336(3), 338, 340(2) read with 61(2) of BNS and 66(D) of IT Act.



2. The brief facts of the case are that on 28.02.2026, a complaint was received from Sub-Inspector of Police, Narsingi Police Station, Cyberabad, based on verified information from the National Cybercrime Reporting Portal (NCRP) and a preliminary enquiry. Data analysis revealed that a bank account in the name of M/s. Sneha Fresh Chicken, held by Chitukula Vigneshwar at Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Ltd., Puppalaguda Branch, Hyderabad was repeatedly linked to 24 cyber fraud complaints across multiple States. The account recorded credits of Rs.1,91,37,137/- and debits of Rs.1,90,48,142/-, with no legitimate financial basis, indicating its use for routing proceeds of crime. Investigation shows that the accused knowingly allowed the account, opened on 21.04.2025 and closed on 26.02.2026, to be used for cyber fraud transactions in coordination with unknown associates, facilitating financial layering and concealment of illicit funds. The repeated use of the account in inter-State cyber fraud cases establishes organized unlawful activity for wrongful gain. Hence, requested the police to take necessary action. Based on the said complaint; a case was registered against the accused for the abovementioned offences.

3. Heard Sri Rapolu Bhaskar, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner as well as Sri M.Ramachandra Reddy, learned



Additional Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the respondent – State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner/Accused No.1 is innocent and has not committed any illegality as alleged and the respondent police have mechanically registered FIR against the accused without conducting proper enquiry and without any prima facie material and that no victim has approached the police, nor has any complaint been filed against the petitioner and there are no specific allegations against him. The petitioner is not the proprietor of M/s. Sneha Fresh Chicken and has not conducted any transactions in connection with the said entity. The alleged offences are punishable with less than seven years of imprisonment, yet the police are attempting to arrest the petitioner without issuing notice under Section 35(5) of the BNS Act and without following due process. He further submitted that the FIR does not disclose the essential ingredients of offences such as cheating, theft, or forgery and that the petitioner is ready and willing to co-operate with the investigation. Therefore, he prayed the Court to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioner by allowing this Criminal Petition.

5. On the other hand, learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposes the bail application, contending that the allegations against



the petitioner are severe and grave in nature, as the petitioner facilitated layering and laundering of illegal money and that the investigation is still pending and that granting of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner, at this stage, does not arise and 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 petitioner is Accused No.1. Though Accused No.2 has been granted regular bail, the prosecution alleges that 24 NCRP cases are linked to the present matter, which pertains to a digital arrest fraud. The nature, pattern, and volume of transactions necessitate a detailed and thorough investigation. Considering the gravity of the allegations and the stage of the investigation, this Court is not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner and there are no merits in this Criminal Petition, and the same is liable to be dismissed.

7. Accordingly, this Criminal Petition is dismissed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

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Sd/- P.C. SULEKHA DEVI
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The X Additional District and Sessions Judge, Ranga Reddy District at Rajendra Nagar.
2. The XIII Judicial First Class Magistrate, Cyberabad at Rajendra Nagar.
3. The Station House Officer, Narsingi P.S., Cyberabad District.
4. One CC to SRI. RAPOLU BHASKAR Advocate [OPUC]
5. Two CCs to Additional PUBLIC PROSECUTOR High Court for the State of Telangana, at Hyderabad [OUT]
6. Two CD Copies



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HIGH COURT
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ORDER
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DISMISSING THE CRIMINAL PETITION.

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