

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

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE T. MADHAVI DEVI

CRIMINAL PETITION No.7832 of 2026

Date: 14.05.2026

Between:

Neelala Prashanth @ Jadi Prashanth

..Petitioner/Accused No.1

And

The State of Telangana,
through SHO PS Srirampur,
Rep. by Public Prosecutor
High Court for the State of Telangana

..Respondent

: O R D E R :

This Criminal Petition is filed for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner, who is arrayed as accused No.1, in Crime No.46 of 2026 of Srirampur Police Station, Mancherial District. The offences alleged against the petitioner are punishable under Sections 118(2), 292 and 115(2) read with Section 3(5) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (for short, "BNS").

2. The allegation against the petitioner is that on 29.04.2026, at about 15:30 hours, he along with accused No.2, abused the *de facto* complainant in filthy language and assaulted him and his cousin with a beer bottle causing bleeding injuries to them.

3. Heard Mr. Kondadi Ajay, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner and Mr. M.Vivekananda Reddy, learned Assistant Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the respondent-State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is in no way connected with the allegations made by the *de facto* complainant, however, he was falsely implicated in the case due to the political disputes pending between him and the *de facto* complainant. He further submitted that on the basis of the medical certificate showing that the injuries suffered by the *de facto* complainant are grievous in nature, the Police altered the section of law from Section 118(1) of BNS to 118(2) of BNS. He further submitted that accused No.2 in the crime was already enlarged on bail by the trial Court. Except the offence under Section 118 of BNS, all the other offences alleged against the petitioner are punishable with an imprisonment of less than seven (7) years. He further submitted that the material part of the investigation is already completed and the petitioner is ready to co-operate with the investigation and ready to abide by any of the conditions imposed by this Court. Therefore, he prayed this Court to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioner.

5. On the other hand, the learned Assistant Public Prosecutor, on instructions, submitted that all the witnesses have already been examined. However, he opposed for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner stating that specific allegations are levelled against him.

6. In the light of the submissions made by both the learned counsel and upon a perusal of the material available on record, it is evident that there are political disputes between the petitioner and the *de facto* complainant, all the witnesses have already been examined and accused No.2 in the crime was enlarged on bail. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court deems it fit to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioner/Accused No.1, subject to the following conditions:

- i. The petitioner shall surrender before the Station House Officer, Srirampur Police Station, Mancherial District, within two (2) weeks from today and on such surrender, the said Station House Officer shall release him on bail on his executing a personal bond for Rs.25,000/- 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., for a period of eight (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.

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