

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

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.8620 of 2026

DATE: 19.06.2026

Between:

Pennalal Vinod Choudary S/o. Pannalal Choudhary
...Petitioner/accused No.2

AND

The State of Telangana,
Rep. its Public Prosecutor,
High Court for the State of Telangana
At Hyderabad through SHO, Raidurgam Police Station,
Cyberabad Commissionerate.

.... Respondent/Complainant

ORDER

This Criminal Petition is filed before this Court for grant of bail to the Petitioner who is arrayed as accused No.2 in Crime No.730 of 2025 before the Raidurgam Police Station, Cyberabad Commissionerate, registered for the offences punishable under Section 80 of BNS and Sections 3 and 4 of DP Act.

2. The brief facts of the case are that, on 11.07.2025, a complaint was lodged by the de facto complainant, who is the father of the deceased victim, wherein it is stated that the petitioner, along with the other accused persons, had subjected the victim to harassment, which drove the victim to commit suicide by consuming an unknown poisonous substance. The victim was subsequently shifted to a hospital and underwent treatment; however, she later succumbed to the effects of the poison. Basing on the same, the police registered a case for the aforesaid offences. Thereafter, the petitioner (Accused No. 2) and Accused No.1 were arrested by the police and produced before the trial Court on 28.01.2026, whereupon they were remanded to judicial custody. Subsequently, the petitioner filed a bail application, which was allowed, and he was released on bail on 17.02.2026. Thereafter, another case was registered against the petitioner (Accused No. 2) *vide* Crime No.198 of 2026, dated 25.02.2026, at Rajendranagar Police Station, Hyderabad. It was alleged therein that the petitioner had threatened the complainant, who is one of the prosecution witnesses and a relative of the deceased victim in the present case.

Subsequently, on the application filed by the learned Additional Public Prosecutor seeking cancellation of the bail granted to the petitioner, the concerned Court, by order dated 27.04.2026, cancelled the petitioner's bail on the ground that he had allegedly threatened the witnesses and that a separate criminal case had been registered against him vide Crime No.198 of 2026. Thereafter, the petitioner surrendered before the trial Court on 18.05.2026 and has remained in judicial custody from that date till today.

3. Heard Sri K.Chaithanya, learned counsel for petitioner as well as Sri D.Arun Kumar, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent-State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent and has been falsely implicated in the present case and that the cancellation of bail was solely on the basis of the registration of another case in Crime No.198 of 2026 of Rajendranagar P.C. wherein allegations were made that the petitioner had threatened one of the prosecution witnesses. However, mere registration of a criminal case cannot be a ground for cancellation of bail unless the allegations are established by cogent material. It is further submitted that the petitioner has been in judicial custody

since 18.05.2026. He further submitted that the material part of the investigation has already been completed and, therefore, the continued detention of the petitioner is not necessary. Therefore, he prayed the Court to grant bail to him 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 petitioner threatened the witness and in the earlier crime also and the trial Court rightly cancelled bail to the petitioner and as such, the investigation is at a crucial stage, and if the petitioner is released, there is a likelihood of influencing the witnesses again. Further, the investigation is not yet completed. Therefore, he prayed the Court to dismiss the criminal petition.

6. In the light of the submissions made by both the learned counsel and upon perusal of the material available on record, it appears that the petitioner was initially arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 28.01.2026 and was subsequently enlarged on bail by the trial Court. It is not in dispute that the bail granted to the petitioner was later cancelled on the basis of the registration of Crime No.198 of

2026 alleging intimidation of witnesses. At this stage, it is pertinent to note that the petitioner has been in judicial custody since 18.05.2026. As seen from the record reveals that a material part of the investigation has already been completed. The allegations relating to the violation of bail conditions are the subject matter of a separate criminal case and the same will be adjudicated in accordance with law. Mere pendency of the said case cannot, by itself, justify indefinite detention of the petitioner. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the nature of the allegations, the duration of incarceration, the progress in the investigation, this Court finds it appropriate to grant bail to the petitioner, subject to the following conditions:

- i. The petitioner shall execute a personal bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only), with two sureties for a like sum each to the satisfaction of the learned X Additional District and Sessions Judge, Ranga Reddy District at Rajendra Nagar.
- ii. The petitioner shall appear before the concerned SHO at 11:00 a.m., on every

Wednesday for a period of eight (8) weeks or till filing of charge sheet whichever is earlier, for the purpose of investigation, and thereafter, as and when required.

- iii. The petitioner shall abide by the conditions stipulated in Section 437(3) of Cr.P.C. (presently, Section 480(3) of the BNSS).
- iv. The petitioner is directed not to contact the victim/witness.
- v. In case of violation of the above conditions, the prosecution is at liberty to file cancellation of bail.

7. Accordingly, the Criminal Petition is allowed. Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

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K. SUJANA, J

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