



2025:TSHC:45071

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

**SATURDAY, THE TWENTY FIFTH DAY OF OCTOBER
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE**

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION NO: 12979 OF 2025

Between:

Mahesh @ V. Mahesh, s/o Gopaiah, aged about 24 years, occ. Agriculture. r/o
Gopalpurm village, Khammam urban Mandal, Khammam District

...PETITIONER/ACCUSED NO.3

AND

The State of Telangana, through S.H.O., Khanapur Haveli Police Station,
Khammam District rep. by its Public Prosecutor, High Court, Hyderabad

...RESPONDENT/COMPLAINANT

Petition under Section 482 of BNSS praying that in the circumstances
stated in the Memorandum of Grounds of Criminal Petition, the High Court may
be pleased to enlarge the petitioner herein on bail in the event of his arrest in
connection with F.I.R.No.481 of 2025 of Khanapur Haveli Police Station,
Khammam District

This Petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Memorandum of
Grounds of Criminal Petition and upon hearing the arguments of Sri
KARUNAKAR REDDY, Advocate for the Petitioner and D. ARUN KUMAR
Additional Public Prosecutor on behalf of the sole Respondent

The Court made the following: ORDER



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THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

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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.3 in Crime No.481 of 2025 before the Khanapur Haveli Police Station, Khammam.

2. The brief facts of the case are that the incident was alleged to have occurred on 12.08.2025 at about 20:30 hours at Gopalapuram, Khammam Urban, where accused were said to have been stopping vehicles on the road and creating nuisance, leading to panic among the public. They allegedly picked up a quarrel among themselves and later entered the kirana shop of the complainant's sister, pelted stones, and assaulted the complainant, his brother-in-law, and others with sticks, bottles, and rods, causing injuries. They were further alleged to have poured petrol on a Scooty belonging to the complainant's sister, set it on fire causing damage worth Rs.50,000/-, and extorted Rs.3,000/- from the complainant.



3. Heard Sri Karunakar Reddy, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner as well as Sri D. Arun Kumar, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the respondent – State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner was innocent and had no connection with the alleged incident and was falsely implicated due to political motivation and that even if the FIR allegations were accepted as true, no material existed to attribute any overt act to the petitioner and the case was manifestly malicious. He further submitted that the police, under local political pressure, implicated the petitioner instead of treating him as a witness. 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 opposed the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner stating that the allegations leveled against the petitioner are serious in nature. Further, the investigation was not yet completed. At this stage, granting of pre-arrest

bail to the petitioner does not arise. Therefore, he prayed the Court to dismiss the criminal petition.

6. In the light of the submissions made by learned counsel on both sides and on perusal of the material on record, it appears that the investigation was not yet completed and prima facie there were allegations against the petitioner regarding involvement in the unlawful assembly and the assault caused to the complainant and his family members. The complaint further disclosed that the accused set fire to the Scooty belonging to the complainant's sister and allegedly extorted cash from the complainant during the incident. At this stage, this Court was not inclined to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioner and the same was liable to be dismissed.

7. Accordingly, this criminal petition is dismissed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

SD/- T.SRINIVASAREDDY
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The Station House Officer, Khanapur Haveli Police Station, Khanapur Haveli, Khammam District



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3. Two CCs to Public Prosecutor, High Court for the State of Telangana at Hyderabad [OUT]
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HIGH COURT

DATED: 25/10/2025

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