

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

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.17156 of 2025

DATE : 22.12.2025

Between:

Smt. Boga Padmja and two others.

...Petitioners/Accused Nos.2 to 4

AND

The State of Telangana
Rep. by its Public Prosecutor,
High Court for the State of Telangana at Hyderabad,
Through SHO, Kukatpally, Police Station, Cyberabad,
Hyderabad District and another.

...Respondents

ORDER:

This Criminal Petition is filed before this Court for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioners who are arrayed as accused Nos.2 to 4 in FIR No.1622 of 2025 before the Kukatpally Police Station, Cyberabad Commissionerate, registered for the offence punishable under Sections 85 and 108 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023. Thereafter, upon remand of accused No.1, the sections were altered to Section 80 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNS').

2. The case of the prosecution is that the *de-facto* complainant, lodged a report before the police on 13.12.2025 stating that, the sister of the *de-facto* complainant committed suicide due to the alleged harassment by accused No.1. The marriage of the deceased with accused No.1 was performed on 14.08.2025, and within a period of four (04) months from the date of marriage, the sister of the de-facto complainant committed suicide, as such requested the police for taking necessary action. On receipt of the said complaint, the Police registered case against the petitioners for the offences as alleged. Aggrieved thereby, this Criminal Petition is filed seeking anticipatory bail of the petitioners.

3. Heard Sri V. Ravi Kiran, learned Senior Counsel representing M/s. Pillix Law Firm, learned counsel for the petitioners as well as Sri E. Ganesh, learned Assistant Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the respondent - State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners – accused Nos.2 to 4 are the in-laws and sister-in-law of the deceased and are the residents of Kothagudem. It is further submitted that they are no way connected with the alleged allegations made against the accused No.1 and only

basing on the statement of LW-5, the case was registered alleging that accused Nos.2 to 4 were also harassing the deceased for additional dowry, whereas there is no such allegation in the initial complaint and that the petitioners are ready to cooperate with the investigating authority. Therefore, he prayed the Court to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioners 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 deceased died within a period of four (04) months from the date of marriage due to the alleged harassment by accused Nos.1 to 4 for additional dowry. At this stage, granting of pre-arrest bail to the petitioners does not arise and also this matter requires custodian interrogation. 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, admittedly, accused Nos.2 to 4 are the residents of Kothagudem and according to the complainant, the deceased and accused No.1 stayed in Hyderabad and the alleged incident occurred in Hyderabad. In the initial complaint, there is no such allegation

against accused Nos.2 to 4 that they harassed the deceased for additional dowry. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court deems it fit to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioners and the petitioners are directed to co-operate with the investigation, subject to compliance of the following conditions:

- i. The petitioners shall surrender before the Station House Officer, Kukatpally Police Station, Cyberabad Commissionerate, within two weeks from today, and on such surrender, the said Station House Officer shall release them on bail, on petitioners executing a personal bond for Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only), with two sureties, for the like sum each.
- ii. The petitioners 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 petitioners 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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