



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 23RD DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHIVASHANKAR AMARANNAVAR

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 10845 OF 2025
[(439(Cr.PC) / 483(BNSS))]

BETWEEN:

DEEPAK S.R. @ DEEPU
S/O RAMAKRISHNAIAH,
AGED ABOUT 23 YEARS,
R/A NO.10, NEAR AYYAOPPA TEMPLE,
JARAGANAHALLI, J.P.NAGAR,
BENGALURU.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. THEJAS M.R., ADVOCATE)

AND:

STATE OF KARNATAKA
BY VIDYARNAYPURA P.S.
REPRESENTED BY LD.
STATE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA.

...RESPONDENT

(BY SRI. M.R. PATIL, HC GP)

THIS CRL.P IS FILED UNDER SECTION 439 CR.PC
(UNDER SECTION 483 OF BNSS) PRAYING TO ENLARGE THE
PETITIONERS ON REGULAR BAIL IN CRIME NO.427/2024
REGISTERED BY THE VIDYARANYAPURA POLICE STATION,
NOW PENDING IN S.C.NO.586/2025 FOR THE OFFENCES
PUNISHABLE UNDER SECTIONS 331(4), 305 AND 111(2)(b) OF





BNS, 2023 ON THE FILE OF LII ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE, BENGALURU CITY (CCH-53).

THIS PETITION COMING ON FOR ORDERS THIS DAY, ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHIVASHANKAR AMARANNAVAR

ORAL ORDER

This petition is filed by accused No.1 under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagrika Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 praying to grant bail in Crime No.427/2024 of Vidyaranyapura Police Station, pending in S.C.No.586/2025 on the file of LII Additional City Civil and Sessions Judge, Bengaluru (CCH-53), registered for offences punishable under Sections 331(4), 305 and 111(2)(b) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.

2. Heard learned counsel for petitioner and learned High Court Government Pleader for respondent - State.

3. Learned counsel for petitioner would contend that, even though the petitioner is having criminal



antecedents and he has been acquitted in majority of the cases and only seven (7) cases are pending against him now. The cases registered against him is for offences of theft. The maximum sentence that can be imposed for the offence alleged is imprisonment for seven (7) years. As the charge sheet is filed, the petitioner is not required for further custodial interrogation. With these, he prayed to allow the petition.

4. Per contra, learned High Court Government Pleader for respondent would contend that, the petitioner is involved in thirty six (36) cases for similar offences. The petitioner is in the habit of committing theft after grant of bail in earlier cases. If the petitioner is granted bail, there are chances of he committing similar offence. There is organized crime syndicate of the petitioner and the other accused who have committed theft. Even accused No.2 is also having criminal antecedents and there are nineteen (19) cases are registered against him. The offence alleged against the petitioner under Section 111(2)(b) of BNS is



provided with minimum sentence of imprisonment for five (5) years which may extend to imprisonment for life. With these, he prayed for dismissal of the petition.

5. Having heard the learned counsels appearing for parties, the Court has perused the charge sheet and other materials placed on record.

6. The case of the prosecution is that on 15.10.2024, when the complainant came back to the house on 20.01.2024, he saw that the lock of the door was broken and missing of seven (7) kgs. silver items, one (1) gold chain weighing 10 grams, one (1) laptop, three (3) watches and one (1) Honda City car. The charge sheet indicates that there is a *prima-facie* case against the petitioner and other accused for offences alleged against them. The petitioner is involved in thirty six (36) cases for similar offences of theft. Accused No.2 is involved in nineteen (19) cases. The petitioner is having criminal antecedents. Considering the said aspect, if the petitioner



is granted bail, there are chances of again he committing similar offences. The offence alleged against the petitioner under Section 111(2)(b) of BNS is provided with punishment of imprisonment of minimum of five (5) years and which may extend to imprisonment for life.

7. Considering all the above aspects, the petitioner has not made out any grounds for grant of bail. In the result, the Criminal Petition is ***dismissed***.

Sd/-
(SHIVASHANKAR AMARANNAVAR)
JUDGE