



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA

KALABURAGI BENCH

DATED THIS THE 22ND DAY OF APRIL, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE G BASAVARAJA

CRIMINAL PETITION NO.200528 OF 2026

(438(Cr.PC)/482(BNSS))

BETWEEN:

1. VIJAYKUMAR
S/O BILLU RATHOD,
AGE: 33 YEARS, OCC: COOLIE,
R/O REVANOOR VILLAGE
TQ: JEWARGI, DIST: KALABURAGI.
2. MITHUN S/O BADDU RATHOD,
AGE: 23 YEARS, OCC: COOLIE,
R/O REVANOOR VILLAGE,
TQ: JEWARGI, DIST: KALABURAGI.
3. RAHUL S/O RAMU RATHOD,
AGE: 23 YEARS, OCC: COOLIE,
R/O REVANOOR VILLAGE,
TQ: JEWARGI, DIST: KALABURAGI.

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI BASAVALING NASI, ADVOCATE)

AND:

STATE THROUGH JEWARGI PS,
REPRESENTED BY HCGP,
HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA
AT KALABURAGI BENCH-585103.

...RESPONDENT

(BY SRI GOPALKRISHNA B. YADAV, HCGP)





THIS CRL.P. IS FILED U/S. 438 OF CR.P.C. (OLD), U/S. 482 OF BNSS (NEW), PRAYING TO ALLOW THE PETITION AND THE PETITIONERS (ACCUSED NOS.1, 7 AND 8) MAY KINDLY BE ORDERED TO BE RELEASED ON ANTICIPATORY BAIL IN THE EVENT OF THEIR ARREST IN CRIME NO.68/2026 FOR THE OFFENCE U/SEC. 189(2), 191(2), 191(3), 115(2), 118(1), 126, 74, 109, 352, 351(2) R/W SEC.190 OF BNS REGISTERED AT JEWARGI POLICE STATION, KALABURAGI PENDING ON THE FILE OF THE SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC Court, JEWARGI, KALABURAGI.

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

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE G BASAVARAJA

ORAL ORDER

The petitioners have filed this petition under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short, 'the BNSS, 2023') for grant of bail in the event of their arrest in Crime No.68/2026 of Jewargi Police Station.

2. Heard learned counsel for the parties.



3. On the basis of the complaint filed by Dharmanna, Jewargi Police have registered the case in Crime No.68/2026 against accused Nos.1 to 22 for the commission of offences under Sections 189(2), 191(2), 191(3), 115(2), 118(1), 126, 74, 109, 352, 351(2) read with Section 190 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.

4. It is submitted that the present petitioners and other accused have filed petition under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023 for grant of anticipatory bail before the II Additional District and Sessions Judge, Kalaburagi in Criminal Miscellaneous No.295/2026, the same came to be allowed in part. The Trial Court has granted anticipatory bail to petitioner Nos.2 to 6 and 9 to 22 therein, however, it rejected the bail application filed under Section 482 of the BNSS by the present petitioners.

5. The alleged commission of offences are not punishable with death. Considering the nature and gravity of offences, antecedents of the petitioners and also release of other accused, in Criminal Miscellaneous No.295/2026,



by the II Additional District and Sessions Judge, Kalaburagi vide order dated 24.03.2026, it is just and proper to allow this petition with the conditions. Accordingly, I proceed to pass the following:

ORDER

The Criminal Petition is allowed.

The petitioners shall be released on bail on executing self-bond for a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only) each, with one surety each for the likesum to the satisfaction of the Investigating Officer, in the event of their arrest in Crime No.68/2026 of Jewargi Police Station, subject to the following conditions:

- (a) The petitioners shall assist the Investigating Officer for investigation and appear as and when required.
- (b) The petitioners shall not tamper or threaten the prosecution witnesses in any manner.



- (c) The petitioners shall not indulge in similar offences in future.

Sd/-
(G BASAVARAJA)
JUDGE

RSP
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