

## IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI (Special Original Jurisdiction)

[3368]

TUESDAY, THE ELEVENTH DAY OF FEBRUARY
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE

#### **PRESENT**

### THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE B V L N CHAKRAVARTHI

## **CRIMINAL PETITION NO: 1217/2024**

#### Between:

- 1.GORRELA HARI SIRISHA @ POTHULA SIRISHA, W/O POTHULA VENKATA NAVEEN, AGED ABOUT 39 YEARS, RIO G 16/A, FLAT NO. 102, SESHADRI TOWERS, MADHURA NAGAR VIGNAN JYOTHI PUBLIC SCHOOL AMEERPET, SANJEEVA REDDY NAGAR, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA.
- 2.GORRELAPRUDHVINATH @GORRELA SIVATEJAPRUDHVINADH,, S/O DORESWARARAO, AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS. C/O MIG 1, 45(A) UDA COLONY, RAJEEV NAGAR LINE, BESIDE RAMA FLATS AJIT SINGH NAGAR, VIJAYAWADA URBAN KRISHNA DISTRICT 520015.

#### ...PETITIONER/ACCUSED(S)

#### AND

- 1.THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REP. BY SUB INSPECTOR OF POLICE DISHA WOMEN PS, GUNTUR REP. BY ITS PUBLIC PROSECUTOR, HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH, AMARAVATHI,
- 2.GORELLA SATYA DIVYA NAGA ANUSHA, W/O PHANIDHRANATH, AGE 33YEARS, RIO D.NO.20-04-18, KIDAMBI RESIDENCY, LAKSHMINARASIINHA SWAMY TEMPLE BACK SIDE,. R. AGRAHARAM, GUNTUR TOWN.

## ...RESPONDENT/COMPLAINANT(S):

## Counsel for the Petitioner/accused(S):

1.K.S.G. PADMAVATHI

## Counsel for the Respondent/complainant(S):

- 1.BALA RAMA MURTHY THUMU
- 2. PUBLIC PROSECUTOR (AP)

## The Court made the following:

# THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE B V L N CHAKRAVARTHI CRIMINAL PETITION NO:1217 of 2024

## **ORDER:**

This Criminal Petition is filed by the petitioners/Accused Nos.3 and 4, under Section 482 of Cr.P.C., to quash the proceedings in C.C.No.1570 of 2023 on the file of the learned IV Additional Junior Civil Judge-cum-IV Addl.Judicial Magistrate of First Class, Guntur.

- 2. Heard Sri Nitish Banka, learned counsel representing Smt.K.S.G.Padmavathi, learned counsel for the petitioners.
- 3. None appeared for the unofficial respondent.
- 4. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor representing the State is in attendance.
- 5. Learned counsel for the petitioners would submit that the petitioners were shown as A3 and A4 in C.C.No.1570 of 2023 on the file of the learned IV Additional Junior Civil Judge-cum-IV Addl.Judicial Magistrate of First Class, Guntur, for the offence under Section 498A of I.P.C. and Sections 3 and 4 of Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961. He would further submit that the petitioners are brother and sister of the husband of the complainant. They were roped in the said case only to exert pressure on the

husband. He would further submit that there are no specific overt acts alleged against the petitioners, except bald and vague allegations. Therefore, in the light of recent judgment of the Hon'ble Apex Court in the case of **Geddam Jhansi and another**Vs. The State of Telangana and others<sup>1</sup>, charge sheet is not maintainable against the petitioners/A3 and A4, who are relatives of the husband of the complainant.

- 6. Perusal of copy of report i.e., F.I.R. as well as the statement of the complainant/unofficial respondent recorded under Section 161 Cr.P.C., would show that the petitioners are brother and sister of the husband respectively. All the overt acts are attributed against the husband. So far as the overt acts against the petitioners are concerned that they are the family members of the husband, and they did not come to the rescue of the unofficial respondent. The other allegations are bald and vague. They are not attracting the offence punishable under Section 498A I.P.C. as well as Sections 3 and 4 of D.P. Act, 1961.
- 7. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, and Judgment of the Hon'ble Apex Court in the case of **Geddam**Jhansi and another Vs. The State of Telangana and others, regarding filing false case against the family members of the

<sup>1</sup> 2025 SCC Online (SC) 263

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husband, this Court is of the considered opinion that it is a fit case to quash the proceedings against the petitioners/A3 and A4 by

8. In the light of foregoing discussion, the Criminal Petition is

allowed. Proceedings against the petitioners/A3 and A4 in

C.C.No.1570 of 2023 on the file of the learned IV Additional

Junior Civil Judge-cum-IV Addl. Judicial Magistrate of First Class,

Guntur, are hereby quashed.

9. Accordingly, the Criminal Petition is allowed.

invoking the provisions under Section 482 Cr.P.C.

As a sequel, interlocutory applications pending, if any, shall stand closed.

JUSTICE B.V.L.N. CHAKRAVARTHI

11.02.2025.

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