IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI

FRIDAY, THE FOURTH DAY OF APRIL, TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE

:PRESENT:

HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE K SREENIVASA REDDY

AND

HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE T MALLIKARJUNA RAO
IA No. 1 OF 2024

IN

CRLA NO: 730 OF 2019

Between:

Katti Brahma Reddy, S/o. Sambasiva reddy, age 39 years, R/o.H.No. 4-6-33, Koritepadu, Guntur, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh.

...Petitioner/Appellant/A-2

AND

The State of Andhra Pradesh, Rep. by its Public Prosecutor, High Court at Amaravathi.

...Respondent/Respondent/Complainant

Petition under Section 389 (1) of Cr.P.C & Section 430 of BNSS, 2023, praying that in the circumstances stated in the memorandum of grounds filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased to release the petitioner on bail by suspending the sentence passed in S.C.No. 460 of 2008, Date: 25-07-2019 by the court of the VI Addl. District and Sessions Judge at Guntur, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh, Pending disposal of CRLA No. 730 of 2019, on the file of the High Court.

(Prayer is amended as per the Court order dated 04.04.2025 in I.A.No.2 of 2021 in CRL.A.No.730 of 2019.)

Counsel for the Petitioner : Dr Challa Srinivasa Reddy

Counsel for the Respondent: Public Prosecutor (AP)

The Court made the following

ORDER:

"The present application is filed by the petitioner/appellant/A.2, under Section 389 (1) of Cr.P.C., seeking his release on bail by suspending the sentence of imprisonment imposed by the learned V Additional District & Sessions Judge (FAC) VI Additional District & Sessions Judge (FTC), Guntur, *vide* S.C.No.460 of 2008, dated 25.07.2019, pending the present Criminal Appeal before this Court.

Learned counsel for the petitioner/appellant contends that immediately after pronouncement of judgment, the petitioner/appellant/A.2 was taken into custody and he is undergoing imprisonment in Central Prison, Rajamahendravaram, East Godavari District, for the last more than five (05) years. He further contends that, as the appeal is of the year2019, it takes some more time to come up for "Final Hearing". As such, he requests this Court to enlarge the petitioner/appellant on bail in terms of the order passed by the Combined High Court in Batchu Rangarao and others Vs The State of Andhra Pradesh (Crl.A.M.P.No.1687 of 2016 in Crl.A.No.607 of 2011).

Learned Additional Public Prosecutor, while referring to the nominal roll of the petitioner/appellant/A.2 issued by Superintendent of Jails, Central Prison, Rajamahendravaram, stated that the petitioner/appellant has undergone 5 years 4 months and 22 days of actual sentence after deducting of at large/parole period and the conduct of the petitioner in the jail is satisfactory.

In view of the aforesaid facts and circumstances, this Court is inclined to enlarge the petitioner/appellant/A.2 on bail by suspending the sentence of imprisonment imposed by the learned Sessions Judge pending the present Criminal Appeal.

The petitioner/appellant/A.2 is directed to be released on bail on his executing a personal bond for Rs.10,000/-(Rupees Ten Thousand only) with two sureties for a like sum each to the satisfaction of the learned IV Additional Junior Civil Judge, Guntur, Guntur District.

The petitioner/appellant/A.2 is directed to report before the Station House Officer concerned, once in a month i.e., on 1st day of every month. The petitioner/appellant/A.2 is also directed to appear before this Court whenever the case stands posted for hearing.

Accordingly, with the above directions, this application is allowed."

SD/- K.SRINIVASA RAJU ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

SECTION OFFICER

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To,

- 1. The IV Additional Junior Civil Judge, Guntur, Guntur District.
- The V Additional District & Sessions Judge (FAC) VI Additional District and Sessions Judge (FTC) Guntur, Guntur District.
- 3. The Superintendent, Central Prison, Rajamahendravaram, East Godavari District.
- 4. The Station House Officer, East L & O, Circle, Guntur.
- 5. One CC to Dr Challa Srinivasa Reddy, Advocate [OPUC]
- 6. Two CCs to Public Prosecutor (AP) High Court of Andhra Pradesh [OUT]
- 7. Two spare copies

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HIGH COURT

SRK,J & TMR,J

DATED:04/04/2025

ORDER

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DIRECTION

