

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE K.SREENIVASA REDDY**CRIMINAL PETITION NO.5582 of 2023****ORDER:-**

This Criminal Petition under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (for short "Cr.P.C.") is filed by A4, to quash the Proceedings in Crime No.222 of 2023 of Hindupur I Town Police Station, Sri Satya Sai District, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 498-A, 323, 354-A r/w 34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 and 3 and 4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner/A4, after arguing for some time, has confined his argument to the extent of protecting the petitioner herein from the coercive action by the police.

3. On the other hand, learned Assistant Public Prosecutor contended that specific accusations have been made as against the petitioner herein and truth or otherwise of the said accusations has to be gone into by the investigating agency.

4. Heard. Perused the record.

5. Since truth or otherwise of accusations that have been made in the FIR as against the petitioner herein can be gone into, by the investigating agency, this Court, in a petition filed

under Section 482 Cr.P.C., would not be in a position to go into the disputed questions of fact and quash the proceedings at this stage.

6. In view of the aforesaid facts and circumstances of the case, this Court is not inclined to quash the proceedings against the petitioner herein. However, the police concerned are directed to conduct investigation without taking any coercive steps against the petitioner herein/A-4.

7. With the above observation, the Criminal Petition is disposed of.

As a sequel thereto, miscellaneous applications, if any, pending in this Criminal petition, shall stand closed.

JUSTICE K.SREENIVASA REDDY

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