

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE OF ANDHRA PRADESH:
HYDERABAD
(Special Original Jurisdiction)

THURSDAY, THE TENTH DAY OF DECEMBER
TWO THOUSAND AND NINE

PRESENT:

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE P. SWAROOP REDDY

CRIMINAL PETITION No.7160 OF 2008

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BETWEEN:

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Afzalunnisa Begum W/o. late Mohd. Abdul Salam

.... Petitioner

AND

1. State of Andhra Pradesh,
Rep. by its Public Prosecutor,
High Court of A.P., Hyderabad.
2. Nazhathunissa Begum W/o. Mohd. Abdul Jawad

.... Respondents

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ORDER:

This Criminal Petition under Section 482 Cr.P.C. is filed by the petitioner Afzalunnisa Begum, seeking quash the proceedings against her in D.V.C. No.35 of 2008 on the file of VI Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Hyderabad.

2. Heard.

3. With regard to the subject matter, on a reference of this matter

along with Criminal Petition No.8945 of 2008 by this Court to a Division Bench, the Division Bench by common order dated 02-06-2009 held that under Section 2 (q) of the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005, women are also liable. In view of the above decision, this petition, where the petitioner is a woman, is maintainable.

4. Therefore, the Criminal Petition is dismissed at the admission stage itself.

December 10, 2009

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P. SWAROOP REDDY,