

HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE R. RAGHUNANDAN RAO

CRIMINAL PETITION No.5710 of 2021

ORDER:

Petitioners are accused Nos.2 to 5 in C.C.No.16 of 2021 on the file of Junior Civil Judge/Judicial First Class Magistrate, Puttaparthi, for offences under Sections 420, 498-A, 506 of I.P.C read with Sections 3 & 4 of Dowry Prohibition Act. The petitioners seek a direction from this Court to quash the said case on the ground that the matter had earlier been compromised but the case was reopened for further hearing which is not in accordance with law. The petitioners also contend that the allegations made against them in the charge sheet do not make out a case under Section 498-A of I.P.C or the other provisions of law.

2. A perusal of the charge sheet shows that there are *prima facie* allegations against the petitioners which would require the trial to go on.

3. However, in view of the fact that the allegations are general and omnibus, it would be appropriate to dispense with the presence of the petitioners during the pendency of the trial of the case.

4. Accordingly, this criminal petition is disposed of leaving it open to the trial Court to conduct trial. However, the

presence of the petitioners during the course of trial is dispensed with except when their presence is necessary for their examination and other mandatory requirements.

As a sequel, pending miscellaneous petitions, if any, shall stand closed.

R. RAGHUNANDAN RAO, J.

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