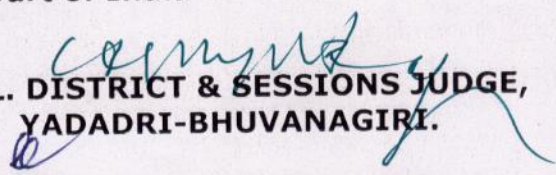


**OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL DISTRICT AND SESSIONS JUDGE:
YADADRI-BHUVANAGIRI.**

Endt.Dis.No. 118 /2026/A1,

Dated: 17 -01-2026.

"Communicated, with a request to download the soft copy of Judgment from the official e-mail of this Unit, of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, in Criminal Appeal No.132-133 of 2017 and follow the directions laid down therein and comply the directions laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India".


**PRL. DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE,
YADADRI-BHUVANAGIRI.**

To:

1. All the Judicial Officers in the Yadadri-Bhuvanagiri District Judiciary.
2. The Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, Yadadri-Bhuvanagiri.

Copy to:

The System Assistant, District Court, Yadadri-Bhuvanagiri with a direction to upload the same in the District Court website.

**S. GOVERDHAN REDDY
REGISTRAR GENERAL**



**HYDERABAD
Dt: 07.01.2026**

ROC.NO.2787/SO/2025

To
All the Unit Heads in the State of Telangana.

Sir/Madam,

Sub:- High Court for the State of Telangana – Letter received from the Assistant Registrar, Section II B, Supreme Court of India, New Delhi – Forwarded a certified copy of the Reportable Judgment in Criminal Appeal Nos.132-133 of 2017 – Directions issued for expeditious disposal of the pending cases dealing with Section 304-B, 498-A from the earliest to the latest - Reg.

Ref:- Letter Dt:24.12.2025 from the Assistant Registrar, Section II B, Supreme Court of India, New Delhi along with a certified copy of the Reportable Judgment in Criminal Appeal Nos.132-133 of 2017.

Adverting to the subject and reference cited, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, while delivering the Judgment in Criminal Appeal Nos.132-133 of 2017, issued certain directions and the relevant Para Nos. 26 to 27.1 are extracted hereunder:

"26. With an intent to further this change, we issue the following directions:-

(a) to ensure that the change brought in is able to make an impact on the efforts to eradicate this evil, it is to be ensured that the future generation, youngsters of today, are informed and made aware about this evil practice and the necessity to eschew it. As such, it is directed that States and even the Union Government consider changes as are necessary to the educational curricula across levels, reinforcing the constitutional position that parties to a marriage are equal to one another and one is not subservient to the other as is sought to be established by giving and taking of money and or articles at the time of marriage;

(b) The law provides for the appointment of Dowry Prohibition Officers in States. It is to be ensured that these officers are duly deputed, aware of their responsibilities and given the necessary wherewithal to carry out the duties entrusted to them. The contact details (name, official phone number and email ID) of such an officer designated to this position are disseminated adequately by the local authorities ensuring awareness of citizens of the area;

(c) the police officials, as also the judicial officers dealing with such cases, should periodically be given training, equipping them to fully appreciate the social and psychological implications which are often at the forefront of these cases.



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This would also ensure a sensitivity of the concerned officials towards genuine cases versus those which are frivolous and abusive of the process of law;

(d) it is not lost on us that the instant case began in 2001 and could only be concluded 24 years later by way of this judgment. It is but obvious that there would be many such similar cases. The High Courts are requested to take stock of the situation, ascertain the number of cases pending dealing with Section 304-B, 498-A from the earliest to the latest for expeditious disposal; and

(e) in furtherance of (a) above, we also recognize that many people today are/have been outside the education fold, and that it is equally, if not more so, important to reach them and make accessible and comprehensible, the relevant information regarding the act of giving or taking of dowry as also other acts sometimes associated therewith, other times independent thereof (mental and physical cruelty) is an offence in law. The District Administration along with the District Legal Services Authorities, by engaging and involving civil society groups and dedicated social activists, is requested to conduct workshops/awareness programs at regular intervals. This is to ensure change at the grassroot level.

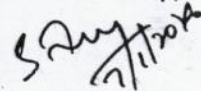
27. Let a copy of this judgment be circulated electronically to the Registrar General of the High Courts who are requested to place the same before the Learned Chief Justices and solicit directions in accordance with the above, and also, to the Chief Secretaries of all States for necessary follow up action.

27.1 While the main appeals are disposed of, so far as these directions are concerned, to ensure compliance thereof, as also issue any other directions as may be necessary, list this matter after four weeks. States are requested to file affidavits indicating the position *qua* the direction given under (b) hereinabove. The High Courts shall do the same for (d).

Pending applications, if any, shall stand disposed of."

Further, you are requested to download the soft copy of the above said Judgment from the official e-mail of your Unit and comply with the directions laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and also to circulate the same among all the Presiding Officers in your Unit for compliance.

Yours sincerely,



REGISTRAR GENERAL