



**Court of Magistrates (Malta)  
As A Court of Criminal Judicature**

**Magistrate Dr. Donatella M. Frendo Dimech LL.D., Mag. Jur. (Int. Law)**

Today, the 2<sup>nd</sup> of October, 2024

*Criminal Proceedings No. 784/2024*

**The Republic of Malta**

**-vs-**

**Vinay Angali, holder of Maltese identity card number 359622A**

The Court,

Having seen the charges brought against the person charged **Vinay Angali** who is being charged with having:

On at some point in time on the thirtieth (30) of September of the year two thousand and twenty-four (2024), and/or in other days, in San Anton Hotel, Kamra numru 4622, Triq ir-Ramel San Pawl il-Bahar and/or in other places in these Islands:

1. Committed the crime of theft of jewellery and/or other objects which theft is aggravated by the **person** and by the **amount**, which value does not exceed two thousand and three hundred and twenty-nine euro and thirty-seven cents (€2,329.37), to the detriment of **Chennakeshavrao Alapati** and/or other entities;

This Court was requested that in the event that the persons charged are inculpated, in addition to the punishment in accordance with law, it orders the persons charged to pay the costs incurred in connection with the employment in

the proceedings of any expert or referee in terms of Articles 532A, 532B and 533 of the Criminal Code, Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta;

This Court was also being requested to provide for the security of **Chennakeshavrao Alapati** as the Court sees fit and necessary and under all the conditions that it deems appropriate, to the effect that issues a protection order in terms of Article 412C of the Criminal Code, Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta and that in the event that the persons charged are inculpated, in addition to punishment in accordance with law, this Court is requested to apply Articles 382A, 383, 384 and 385 of that same Code for the security of the injured party;

Having Considered,

Whereas having, earlier today, heard the person charged plead guilty to the charges brought against him notwithstanding the fact that the Court warned him in the most solemn manner of the legal consequences of his guilty plea, and after having given him sufficient time within which to reconsider and withdraw his guilty plea;

Having heard witnesses;

Having seen all the acts and documents exhibited;

Having heard the prosecution and defence counsel make their submissions;

Considers,

Having heard the defendant guilty pleas to the charges brought against him, the Court has no alternative but to declare him guilty of the said charges.

With regards to punishment the Court took into consideration the defendant's admission of guilt, his clean criminal record, the nature of the offences of which he stands charged and the circumstances of the case.

In view of the foregoing, the Court, after having seen Articles 17, 31, 261(c)(d), 267, 268(b) 279(a) and 280(1) of the Criminal Code, Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, finds the defendant guilty of the charges brought against him, and condemns him to imprisonment for a term of one (1) year which by virtue of Article 28A of the Criminal Code is being suspended for a period of two (2) years.

The Court explained to the defendant, in ordinary language, the significance of this judgement and of the consequences he will face should he fail to observe the conditions imposed, namely, that should he commit another offence during the operative period of the suspended sentence, the sentence of one year imprisonment will be brought into force forthwith.

Furthermore in terms of Article 382A of the Criminal Code, the Court is issuing a restraining order against the defendant in favour of **Chennakeshavrao Alapati** for a period of three years commencing today.

**Dr. Donatella M. Frendo Dimech LL.D., Mag. Jur. (Int. Law)**  
**Magistrate**