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CRL OP No. 24860 of 2025



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 11-09-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE T.V.THAMILSELVI

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John Roger
S/O.Likori,
No.391, 7 th street , Venkatachalam
nagar, Thirumullaivoyal,
Chennai-600053

Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State Rep By ,
The Inspector Of Police
S-9, Palavanthangal Police Station,
Chennai.
(Crime no.13 of 2025)

Respondent(s)

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PRAYER

To enlarge the petitioner on bail in C.C.198 of 2025 on the file of the II Additional Special Court for Exclusive Trial of cases under NDPS Act, Chennai



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For Petitioner(s): Mr. John Sathyan,
Senior Advocate for
Mr. P. Divakar

For Respondent(s): Mr. A. Gopinath,
Govt. Advocate (Crl. Side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 17.01.2025 for the alleged offences under Sec. 8(c) r/w 20(b)(ii)(c), 25, 29(1) of NDPS Act in Crime No.13 of 2025, on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on 17.01.2025 around 13.00 hours, on a secret information with regard to sale of prohibited contraband near B.V.Nagar 3rd main road cremation grounds, they intercepted A1 and the petitioner and on search, the respondent police found that they were in possession of 20.450 kgs. of ganja and seized the same. Accordingly, the complaint was registered against the petitioner.

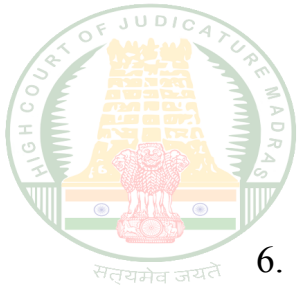
3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that this is the 4th petition seeing for bail and the petitioner was M.B.A. Graduate in Mechanical Engineering. He would submit that he is ranked as A2 and he was falsely implicated in this case as if he was found in possession of prohibited



contraband. He would submit that he is an innocent person and he has not at all committed any offence as alleged by the respondent police. He would submit that he is no way connected with the said occurrence and he is in custody for more than 8 months from 17.01.2025. He would submit that there is no role of the petitioner in the alleged offence and A1 was released on bail. Hence, he prayed to grant bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for respondent would submit that the total contraband seized in the process is 20.450 kgs. of ganja from this petitioner and both A1 and this petitioner went to Bangalore and purchased the contraband for unlawful gain. He would submit that now the investigation is almost completed and he is in custody for more than 8 months and no previous case pending against him. He would submit that if he is released on bail, he would hamper the investigation and tamper the witnesses. Hence, he strongly opposed to grant bail to the petitioner.

5. On seeing the facts, it reveals that this is the fourth petition seeking for bail, however considering the fact that investigation completed, final report was also filed, no previous case pending against him and also considering the period of incarceration undergone by the petitioner from 17.01.2025 for more than 8 months and he is ready to abide any condition imposed by this court, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner subject to the following conditions :-



6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on condition to execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) with two sureties each, in which **one surety must be blood surety** for a like sum to the satisfaction of the **learned Special Court for Exclusive Trial of cases under NDPS Act, Chennai** and on further conditions that:

(a) the sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the surety bond and the learned Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar Card or Bank Pass Book to ensure their identity;

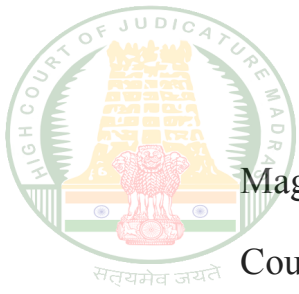
(b) the petitioner shall report before the respondent police on every Tuesday and Saturday at 10.30 a.m. for the period of three months;

(c) the petitioner shall not commit any offences of similar nature;

(d) the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

(e) the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

(f) on breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Judicial Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioner released on bail by the learned



Magistrate/Trial Court himself as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in *P.K.Shaji vs. State of Kerala* [(2005)AIR SCW 5560];

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(g) if the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS

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To

1. Special Court for Exclusive trial of cases under NDPS Act , Chennai.
- 2.The Inspector of Police, S-9 Palavanthangal Police Station, Chennai.
3. The Superintendent of Prison, Central Prison, Chennai.
- 4.The Public Prosecutor, High Court, Madras

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