

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION Nos.10277 & 10278 of 2025

COMMON ORDER:

Seeking the Court to enlarge the petitioners who are arrayed as accused Nos.6 and 4 in Crime No.74 of 2025 of Gopalapuram Police Station, Hyderabad, on bail, respectively, the present Criminal Petitions are filed.

2. The brief facts of the case are that On 17.04.2025, based on credible information about individuals possessing ganja at Sri Laxmi Lodge, Regimental Bazar, Secunderabad, the Gopalapuram Police, along with mediators and a clues team, conducted a raid at Room No.104. They found two male and three female suspects in the room and, after initial evasive replies, the suspects admitted to transporting 58 kgs of ganja from Kakinada to Hyderabad for delivery to a person in Maharashtra. The police followed due procedures, including preparing a panchanama, and seized the contraband. A case was registered under Sections 8(c), 20(b)(ii)(C), 25, 27(a), and 29 of the NDPS Act, 1985.

3. Heard Smt. Anuradha Challa, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioners as well as Sri Syed Yasar Manoon, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the respondent-State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners were falsely implicated as accused Nos.4 and 6 based solely on the statements of co-accused and had no role in the alleged offence and that there is no involvement in the possession, purchase, or sale of ganja and asserted that they had not invested any amount towards it. The petitioners maintained that they were innocent, had clean antecedents, and hailed from a respectable family. The material part of the investigation was already completed and the petitioners are in jail since 17.04.2025. Therefore, She prayed the Court to grant bail to the petitioners by allowing these criminal petitions.

5. On the other hand, learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioners stating that the petitioners are drug peddlers. He further submitted that the investigation is in progress and if the petitioners are released on bail, at this stage, he may

tamper with the evidence and may threaten the witnesses. Hence, he prayed the Court to dismiss these criminal petitions.

6. After considering submissions from both the parties and reviewing the record, it appears that the petitioners are in jail since 17.04.2025 and also material part of investigation is completed. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case as well as the incarceration period of the petitioners, this Court deems it fit to grant bail to the petitioners subject to the following conditions:

- i. The petitioners shall execute a personal bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) each, with two sureties for a like sum each to the satisfaction of the learned X Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Secunderabad.
- ii. The petitioners shall appear before the concerned SHO at 11:00 a.m., on every Monday for a period of eight (8)

week or till filing of charge sheet
whichever is earlier, for the purpose of
investigation, and thereafter, as and
when required.

- iii. The petitioners shall abide by the
conditions stipulated in Section 437(3)
of Cr.P.C.(presently, Section 480(3) of
the BNSS).

7. Accordingly, these Criminal petitions are allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand
closed.

K. SUJANA, J

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