IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AT HYDERABAD

THURSDAY, THE EIGHTEENTH DAY OF DECEMBER TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY FIVE

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SMT JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION NO: 15731 OF 2025

Between:

1. Khilla Dhana, S/o. Paramananda, S/o Parmananda, age 29 years, Caste Harijan, Occ Farmer, R/o disariguda (V), Guntawada(GP),Chitrakonda Block, Malkangiri District, Odisha State, Ph.No.9692527135

...PETITIONER/ACCUSED-1

2. Rajendar Bajing, S/o Darnu Bajing, age 26 years, Caste Harijan, Occ Farmer, R/o disariguda (V), Guntawada(GP),Chitrakonda Block,Malkangiri District, Odisha State, Ph.No.9692527 135.

...PETITIONER/ACCUSED-2

AND

The State of Telangana,, Through S.H.O., Police Station Cyberabad Narcotics, TG Anti Narcotics Bureau (TGANB), Cyberabad Commissionerate, R.R.District, rep. by its Public Prosecutor, High Court, Hyderabad

...RESPONDENT/COMPLAINANT

Petition under Sections 480 & 483 of BNSS praying that in the circumstances stated in the Memorandum of Grounds of Criminal Petition, the High Court may be pleased to enlarge the petitioner herein on bail in connection with Crime No. 07 of 2025 of Police Station Cyberabad Narcotics, TG Anti Narcotics Bureau (TGANB) Police Station, Ranga Reddy District.

This Petition coming on for hearing, upon perusing the Memorandum of Grounds of Criminal Petition and upon hearing the arguments of Sri Reddamaina Thirupathi, Advocate for the Petitioners and Sri Arun Kumar Doddla, Additional Public Prosecutor, High Court for the State of Telangana, Hyderabad on behalf of the Respondent.

The Court made the following: ORDER:

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THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No. 15731 of 2025

DATE: 18.12.2025

Between:

Khilla Dhana and another

.... Petitioners/
Accused Nos.1 & 2

AND

The State of Telangana, through S.H.O.,
Police Station Cyberabad Narcotics,
TG Anti Narcotics Bureau (TGANB),
Cyberabad Commissionerate, R.R. District,
Rep. by its Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Hyderabad.

.... Respondent/
Complainant

O R D E R

This criminal petition is filed under Section 480 & 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS') by the petitioner/accused seeking enlargement on bail in connection with Crime No.07 of 2025 of Cyberabad Narcotics Police Station, Telangana Anti Narcotics Bureau (TGANB). The

offences alleged against the petitioner are under Sections 8(c) read with 20(b)(ii)(C), 27A and 29 of the NDPS Act and Section 25(1-B)(b) of Arms Act, 1959.

2. The brief facts of the case are that, based on credible information, on 04.08.2025, the police conducted vehicle checking and found accused Nos.1 and 2 in possession of huge quantity i.e., 847 kilograms of ganja. Consequently, a case was registered against the petitioners and other accused for the above mentioned offences.

3. Heard Sri Reddamaina Thirupathi, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioners as well as Sri Arun Kumar Doddle, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for respondent - State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that accused No.1 is a driver and accused No.2 is a cleaner of the alleged vehicle and have been in jail since 05.08.2025 and that that petitioners are innocent and have no connection whatsoever with the offences in question, as the contraband was not in their conscious possession and that the material part of investigation is completed. Therefore, he prayed the Court to grant bail to the petitioners by allowing this criminal petition.

5. On the other hand, the learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioners, stating that the contraband involved in this case, namely 847 kilograms of ganja, constitutes a huge quantity. He further submitted that accused No.1 had previously been involved in three crimes under the NDPS Act and is a habitual offender and that the investigation is still in progress and that, if the petitioners are released on bail at this stage, they may tamper with the evidence and threaten the witnesses. Hence, he prayed the Court to dismiss the criminal petition.

6. Having regard to the rival submissions made by both the learned counsel and upon perusal of the material placed on record, it is noted that the petitioners are arrayed as accused Nos.1 and 2 and have been in judicial custody since 05.08.2025. The seized contraband, i.e., 847 kilograms of ganja, constitutes a huge quantity, and there exists a previous criminal history against accused No.1. The investigation is still in progress. In view of Section 37 of the NDPS Act, offences involving commercial quantities are non-bailable and require reasonable grounds to believe that the accused are not guilty and are unlikely to commit further offences while on bail. Given

the serious allegations against the petitioners, this Court is not satisfied that the conditions for granting bail under Section 37 of the NDPS Act are met. Therefore, the criminal petition lacks merit and the same is liable to be dismissed.

7. Accordingly, this Criminal Petition is dismissed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

SD/- L. VIJAYA LAXMI
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. Special Judicial First Class Excise Magistrate –cum- V Additional Metropolitan Magistrate –cum- V Additional Junior Civil Judge ,L.B.Nagar, Ranga Reddy District.
2. XIV Metropolitan Magistrate,Hayathnagar, Ranga Reddy Distirct,
3. The Station House Officer, Cyberabad Narcotics Police Station, TG Anti Narcotics Bureau (TGANB) Cyberabad Commissionerate Rangareddy District.
4. One CC to Sri. Reddamaina Thirupathi, Advocate [OPUC]
5. Two CCs to the Public Prosecutor, High Court for the State of Telangana, Hyderabad [OUT]
6. Two CD Copies.

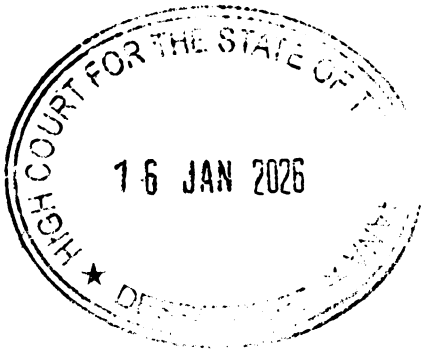
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HIGH COURT

DATED:18/12/2025

ORDER

CRLP.No.15731 of 2025



DISMISSING THE CRIMINAL PETITION

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