

**IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AT
HYDERABAD**

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.16761 of 2025

DATE: 22.12.2025

Between:

Padamati Ravi Chandra

.... Petitioner/accused No.2

AND

The State of Telangana,
Through Prohibition & Excise Station,
Hayathnagar,
Through its Public Prosecutor,
High Court, at Hyderabad.

.... Respondent

ORDER:

This Criminal Petition is filed seeking the Court to enlarge the petitioner on bail, who is arrayed as accused No.2 in Crime No.137 of 2025 of Prohibition and Excise Station, Hayathnagar, Ranga Reddy District, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 8(c), 22(b), 20(b)(ii)(B) of the NDPS Act, 1985.

2. The brief facts of the case are that, on 14.11.2025, the police on credible information had conducted inspection and seized 4.250 kgs of Ganja and 0.6 grams of MDMA from the possession of accused Nos.1 to 3. The accused were arrested and remanded to the judicial custody and a case was registered against them for the above said offences.

3. Heard Sri P. Nishith Raj, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner as well as Sri D. Arun Kumar, learned Additional Public Prosecutor for respondent-State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is accused No.2 and he is no way connected with the alleged ganja and MDMA and he went along with accused No.1 without knowing that he is possessing Ganja and he is in jail since 14.11.2025 and the seized quantity is 4.250 kgs of Ganja and 0.6 grams of MDMA, which is an intermediate quantity and prayed the Court to grant bail to the petitioner by allowing this criminal petition.

5. On the other hand, learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner stating that the alleged offences are of the NDPS Act and the seized quantity is 4.250 kgs of Ganja and 0.6 grams

of MDMA. However, he informed that there are no other cases pending against the petitioner and the investigation is in progress. Therefore, he prayed the Court to dismiss the criminal petition.

6. In the light of the submissions made by both the learned counsel and upon perusal of the material available on record, it appears that the petitioner is in jail since 14.11.2025 and the seized quantity of the ganja is 4.250 kgs of Ganja and 0.6 grams of MDMA, which is an intermediate quantity. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the nature of the allegations, the stage of investigation, the duration of incarceration and the seized quantity, this Court finds it appropriate to grant bail to the petitioner/accused No.2, subject to the following conditions.

- i. The petitioner/accused No.2 shall execute a personal bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only), with two sureties for a like sum each to the satisfaction of the learned XIII Additional District and Sessions Judge, Cyberabad, Ranga Reddy District.

- ii. The petitioner/accused No.2 shall appear before the concerned SHO at 11:00 a.m., on every Monday for a period of eight (8) weeks or till filing of charge sheet whichever is earlier, for the purpose of investigation, and thereafter, as and when required.
- iii. The petitioner/accused No.2 shall abide by the conditions stipulated in Section 437(3) of Cr.P.C. (presently, Section 480(3) of the BNSS).

7. Accordingly, the Criminal petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

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