

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

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.16784 of 2025

DATE : 23.12.2025

Between:

Sri J. Praveen Kumar and another

...Petitioners/Accused Nos.1 and 3

AND

The State of Telangana
Rep. by its Public Prosecutor, High Court for the
State of Telangana at Hyderabad Through
Prohibition & Excise Station, Quthbullapur,
Medchal-Malkazgiri District.

...Respondent

ORDER:

This Criminal Petition is filed before this Court for grant of bail to the Petitioners who are arrayed as accused Nos.1 and 3 in FIR No.140 of 2025 of Prohibition & Excise Station, Quthbullapur, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 8(c) r/w 20(b)(ii)(B) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (for short 'NDPS').

2. The brief facts of the case are that, on 10.11.2025, the police officials basing on reliable information, have conducted inspection and found accused Nos.1 and 2 in possession of 359 grams of Hashish Oil, which was seized under a proper panchanama. Accordingly, a case was registered against the petitioners and the other accused for the aforementioned offences.

3. Heard Sri G. Anil Kiran Kumar, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioners as well as Sri D. Arun Kumar, learned Additional Public Prosecutor for respondent-State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are in jail from 11.11.2025 and they are falsely implicated in the present case. It is further submitted that material part of the investigation has already been completed and contented that the contraband allegedly seized is 359 grams of Hashish Oil, which falls under the category of an intermediate quantity. Therefore, he prayed the Court to grant bail to the petitioners by allowing this criminal petition.

5. On the other hand, learned Additional Public Prosecutor opposed the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioners stating that the alleged offences are under the NDPS Act, 1985. However, learned Additional Public Prosecutor informed the Court that no other criminal cases are pending against the petitioners. 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 petitioners have been in judicial custody since 11.11.2025 and that the seized contraband is 359 grams of Hashish Oil, which is an intermediate quantity. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the nature of the allegations, the stage of investigation, this Court finds it appropriate to grant bail to the petitioners/accused Nos.1 and 3, subject to the following conditions:

- i. The petitioners/accused Nos.1 and 3 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 I Additional

District Sessions Judge at Mechal-
Malkajgiri District.

- ii. The petitioners/accused Nos.1 and 3 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/accused Nos.1 and 3 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.

K. SUJANA, J

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