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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 05/06/2026

PRESENT

The HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P. DHANABAL

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Ilakkiya

... Petitioner/Accused

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu Rep.,
By, the Inspector of Police,
Gudalur North Police Station,
Theni District.
(Crime No.252 of 2024.).

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Ms.M.Nithya Sowmya

For Respondent : Mr.G.Ganesh Kumar,
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

PETITION FOR BAIL Under Sec.483 of BNSS

PRAYER :-

For Bail in Crime No.252 of 2024 on the file of the respondent
Police.

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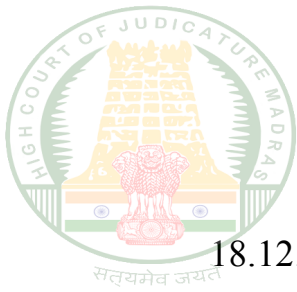
ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

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The petitioner/Accused, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 18.12.2024 for the offences punishable under Sections 8(c), 20(b)(ii) (C), 29(1), 27A and 25 of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, in Crime No.252 of 2024, on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on 18.12.2024 at about 08.30 hours, a secret information was received by the respondent police that there was transportation of huge quantity of ganja in the Ertiga Car bearing Registration No.TN-58-BW-9103. The respondent police stopped and searched the vehicle, and found the petitioner and other four accused to be in joint possession of 22.725 Kgs of ganja. The said contraband was seized by the respondent police. Hence, the case

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that each of the accused was found in possession of different quantities and hence, the case does not come under commercial quantity. He further submits that the petitioner was confined in prison from



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18.12.2024 without any progress in the trial and also there is no prospect of completion of trial in the near future. Hence, he prayed for the grant of bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent-police, submitted that in this case A1 to A4 were arrested at the spot. He further submitted that they were occupants of the Car and they conspired together and illegally purchased Ganja from Andhra. The petitioner has number of previous cases including one NDPS case where intermediate quantity was involved. He further submitted that the period of incarceration cannot be ground in the case of NDPS case for granting bail. In view of the bad antecedents and since the petitioner has not satisfied the requirements under Section 37 of the NDPS Act, he strongly opposed the grant of bail to the petitioner.

5. This Court heard both sides and perused the materials available on record.



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6. Considering the rival submissions made by the learned

counsel on either side, the nature of offence, and the fact that the quantity of contraband involved is a commercial quantity and the petitioner was found in conscious possession of the contraband and the same was directly recovered from her. Already, this Court had dismissed the earlier bail petition filed by the petitioner on the ground that the twin conditions prescribed under Section 37 of the NDPS Act were not satisfied. Even now, no change in circumstances has been brought to the notice of this Court to grant bail to the petitioner.

7. In view of the above circumstances and also considering the gravity of offence, this Court is not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner at this stage. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is dismissed.

(P D B J)
05.06.2026

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TO

1. The Inspector of Police,
Gudalur North Police Station, Theni District.
2. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.

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