

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

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.4022 of 2026

DATE: 31.03.2026

BETWEEN:

Vanga Lakshmi Narayana Goud

.....petitioner/accused No.25

And

The State of Telangana,
Rep. by Public Prosecutor,
High Court for the State of Telangana,
at Hyderabad.

.....Respondent/complainant

ORDER

This Criminal Petition is filed praying this Court to enlarge the petitioner on bail who is arrayed as accused No.25 in Crime No.9 of 2025 before the Hyderabad Narcotics Police Station, TG Anti Narcotics Bureau, registered for the offence punishable under Sections 8c, 22(c), 27A and 29 of NDPS Act.

2. The brief facts of the case are that the petitioner was arrayed as Accused No.25. The prosecution case was that on 13.09.2025, a raid was conducted at Bowenpally, Hyderabad, wherein an illegal Alprazolam manufacturing unit was allegedly detected and a commercial quantity of contraband along with chemical precursors and cash was seized from Accused No.1.

3. Heard Sri S. Ganesh, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner as well as Sri M. Ramachandra Reddy, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing on behalf of the respondent - State.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner was falsely implicated and that no recovery whatsoever was made from him. He further submitted that the entire case against the petitioner rested solely on inadmissible confessional statements of co-accused and a neutral financial transaction, which did not establish any live link with the seized contraband. He contended that the petitioner had no criminal antecedents, that the statutory bar under Section 37 of the NDPS Act was not attracted, that custodial detention was unnecessary. Therefore, he 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 petitioner is a drug peddler. He further submitted that the investigation is in progress and if the petitioner is released on bail, at this stage, he may tamper with the evidence and may threaten the witnesses. Hence, he prayed the Court to dismiss the criminal petition.

6. In the light of the submissions made by both the learned counsel and a perusal of the material available on record, it appears that the petitioner is in jail since 04.02.2026. As seen from the record, the material part of the investigation has been completed and L.Ws.1 to 28 witnesses have been examined. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and the incarceration period of the petitioner, this Court deems it fit to grant bail to the petitioner, subject to the following conditions:

- i. The petitioner 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 Special Judicial Magistrate of First Class for Excise Cases at Manoranjani Complex, Opp Gandhi Bhavan, Nampally, Hyderabad.

- ii. The petitioner 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 petitioner 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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