

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA

AT HYDERABAD

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.4221 of 2026

DATE: 09.04.2026

BETWEEN:

Nishad Veerendra Kumar

.....petitioner/accused No.1

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.1
in Crime No.952 of 2025 before the Patancheru Police Station,

Sangareddy District, registered for the offence punishable under Sections 8c read with 20(b)(ii)(C) of NDPS Act.

2. The brief facts of the case are that on 18.10.2025 based on a complaint lodged by the Sub-Inspector of Police, Patancheru, stating that upon receiving credible information, a vehicle check was conducted near Exit No.3 toll plaza, Muthangi village. During the operation, the petitioner was intercepted while allegedly transporting dry ganja in an auto bearing No. AP-39 UA 1046. The police seized about 26.4 kilograms of dry ganja under a panchanama and registered a case for the above said offences, and the petitioner was remanded to judicial custody on 19.10.2025.

3. Heard Sri Kasireddy Mohan Chandra Has, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner as well as Sri M. Ramachander 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 had no connection with the alleged offence and that there was non-compliance of mandatory provisions under Sections 42, 50, 52, and 55 of

the NDPS Act, and no independent witnesses were secured during the alleged seizure. He further submitted that the arrest was made mechanically without proper investigation or credible evidence. 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 petition, contending that the petitioner was found in possession of a commercial quantity of contraband i.e., 26.4 kilograms of ganja, and the offence was grave in nature under the NDPS Act and that the seizure was conducted based on credible information and in accordance with law. At this stage, granting of bail to the petitioner does not arise. Therefore, 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 19.10.2025. As seen from the record, the material part of the investigation has been completed and L.Ws.1 to 10 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 I Additional District and Sessions Judge, Sangareddy.
- 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.

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