

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

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.8437 of 2026

DATE: 17.06.2026

Between:

Ranu Hossain and another

.... Petitioners/
Accused Nos.1 & 2

AND

State of Telangana,
Rep. by Public Prosecutor
High Court of Telangana.

.... Respondent

ORDER

This Criminal Petition is filed under Sections 480 & 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS') by the petitioners/accused Nos.1 and 2 seeking enlargement on bail in connection with C.O.R.No.50 of 2026 of Excise Serilingampally Police Station. The offence alleged against the petitioner is punishable under Section 8(c) and 20(b)(ii)(B) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (for short 'NDPS Act').

2. The brief facts of the case are that on 18.05.2026, on reliable information, the complainant conducted an inspection and found

petitioners in illegal possession of 3.7 kilograms of dry ganja and seized the said contraband. Basing on the same, a criminal case was registered against the accused for the alleged offences.

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

4. Learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocent and were falsely implicated in the case. The petitioners have been in judicial custody since 18.05.2026 and that the seized contraband i.e., 3.7 kilograms of dry ganja, constitutes an intermediate quantity. He further submitted that the entire investigation is complete and 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 petition, contending that the allegations against the petitioners are under the provisions of the NDPS Act and although the seized contraband falls under the category of intermediate quantity, the investigation is still ongoing. Therefore, granting bail to the petitioners, at this stage, does not arise. However, he

informed the Court that there are no other cases pending against the petitioners.

6. Considering the submissions made by both learned counsel and upon perusal of the material available on record, it is observed that the seized contraband, i.e., 3.7 kilograms of dry ganja, falls under the category of intermediate quantity and the petitioners have been in judicial custody since 18.05.2026, and a substantial portion of the investigation has already been completed. Having regard to the quantity of contraband seized, the period of incarceration and the progress in the investigation, this Court deems it fit to grant bail to the petitioners, subject to the following conditions:

- i. The petitioners shall execute a personal bond for a sum of Rs.15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Thousand only) each, with two sureties for a like sum each to the satisfaction of the learned I Additional District and Sessions Judge, Ranga Reddy District at L.B. Nagar.
- ii. The petitioners 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 petitioners shall abide by the conditions stipulated in Section 437(3) of Cr.P.C. (presently, Section 480(3) of the BNSS).

iv. If the petitioners are again indulged in similar criminal activity, the Investigating Officer is at liberty to file a petition for cancellation of bail.

7. Accordingly, the Criminal petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

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