IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA AT HYDERABAD

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE B.R.MADHUSUDHAN RAO

CRIMINAL PETITION No.16405 of 2026

(CNR No.HBHC010689042026)

DATED: 12.10.2026

Between:
1. Narendra Kumar Prusty
2. Sachidananda Sahoo

...Petitioners-Accused Nos.1 and 2

And

The State of Telangana,
Rep. by its Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Telangana,
Hyderabad. ...Respondent

O R D E R

1. This Criminal Petition is filed under Sections 480 and 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (BNSS) praying this Court to enlarge the petitioners – A1 and A2 on bail in connection with COR No.144 of 2026 of Excise Police Station, Sangareddy District. The offences alleged against the petitioners-A1 and A2 are punishable under Section 8(c) read with 20(b)(ii)(B) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (for short, 'NDPS Act').

2. Heard Sri P.Manoj Kumar, learned counsel for the petitioners – A1 and A2 and Sri D. Arun Kumar, learned Additional Public Prosecutor, appearing for respondent – State.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that there are no specific allegations leveled against petitioners – A1 and A2 and they are falsely implicated in the COR without there being any iota of evidence. Entire investigation is completed except filing of charge sheet. Petitioners – A1 and A2 are arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 18.09.2026 and prayed to enlarge the petitioner-A1 and A2 on bail.

4. Learned Additional Public prosecutor submits that the contraband seized from the possession of the petitioners- A1 and A2 is 5.253 kgs of dry ganja.

5. On 18.09.2026, at about 11:55 hours, the Prohibition and Excise S.I. along with his team intercepted two persons travelling from Isnapur to Kandi, near IIT Hyderabad and they apprehended them with possession of 5.253 kgs of dry ganja undercover of Panchanama. Basing on the said complaint, FIR came to be registered.

6. Petitioners - A1 and A2 are arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 18.09.2026, since then they are in jail.

7. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor, during the course of argument submits that petitioner No.1-A1 is also involved in COR No.164 of 2025 of Serilingampalli Excise Police Station.

8. The contraband which is seized from the petitioners-A1 and A2 is 5.253 kgs of dry ganja which falls under intermediate quantity. Furthermore, record goes to show that other articles are also seized from the possession of petitioners-A1 and A2.

9. Since the contraband seized falls under intermediate quantity, petitioners-A1 and A2 are entitled for grant of bail, subject to the following conditions:

i. The petitioners –A1 and A2 shall execute a personal bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only), with two local sureties for a like sum each to the satisfaction of the learned Principal Junior Civil Judge, FAC JFCM for trial of cases under PCR Act-cum-II Additional Junior Civil Judge at Sangareddy District.

ii. The petitioners-A1 and A2 shall not involve in similar offence.

iii. The petitioners – A1 and A2 shall not directly or indirectly influence, threaten, or induce any of the prosecution witnesses.

iv. The petitioners – A1 and A2 shall abide by the conditions stipulated in Section 437(3) of Cr.P.C. (presently, Section 480(3) of the BNSS).

v. In the event of violation of any of the above conditions, the prosecution is at liberty to file an application for cancellation of bail.

10. Accordingly, this Criminal Petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

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B.R.MADHUSUDHAN RAO, J

Date: 12.10.2026
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