IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA
AT HYDERABAD

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

CRIMINAL PETITION No.17462 of 2026

(CNR.No. HBHC010731302026)

DATE: 02.11.2026

BETWEEN:

1)Shaik Sofiyan

2) Salman Ahmed

3) Rathod Rahul

.....Petitioners-Accused Nos.1, 3 and 4

And

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

.....Respondent

ORDER

1. This Criminal Petition is filed under Sections 480 and 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (for short 'BNSS') praying this Court to enlarge the petitioners-accused Nos.1, 3 and 4 on bail in connection with FIR.No.472 of 2026 of Armoor Police Station, Nizamabad District, registered for the offences punishable under Section 8(c) read with Section 20(b)(ii)(B) of the NDPS Act, 1985.

2. Heard Sri Alluri Divakar Reddy, learned counsel for the petitioners-accused Nos.1, 3 and 4 and Sri D. Arun Kumar, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent–State.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that as per the remand case diary, the Police have already examined all the witnesses and further the Police have also seized the alleged contraband, drafted a confession panchanma and Police has completed the investigation, except filing charge sheet. Petitioners-accused Nos.1, 3 and 4 have no previous criminal antecedents and they are ready to cooperate with the investigating agency and abide by the conditions imposed by this Court. Petitioners-accused Nos.1, 3 and 4 along with accused No.2-Mohammad Amzath Ali were arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 26.08.2026 and prayed to enlarge the petitioners-accused Nos.1, 3 and 4 on bail.

4. Learned Additional Public Prosecutor submits that the contraband which is seized is 1 kg 70 grams from the accused. Petitioner No.1-accused No.1 is involved in Crime No.17 of 2026 in NDPS case.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioners on instructions submits that petitioner No.1-accused No.1 was enlarged on bail in the above said crime.

6. Sri Md.Yaseer Arfath, has lodged a report before P.S., Armoor, on 26.08.2026. It is stated in the complaint that the complainant, along with his staff, proceeded to isolated shelter on the outskirts of Perkit, on reaching they noticed four individuals sitting inside the isolated shed, noticing the police team approaching them they panicked and attempted to flee, the Police team cordoned them and apprehended all the four persons. One plastic bag was in possession of one of them, upon opening, it was found to contain dried leaves, stalks and fruiting/flowering tops emitting a strong pungent odor, which is identified as dry ganja and which is seized under cover of panchanama which contains 1 kg 70 grams. Basing on the said complaint, FIR came to be registered.

7. Petitioners-accused Nos.1, 3 and 4 along with accused No.2-Mohammad Amzath Ali were arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 26.08.2026. It is stated in the remand case diary that accused no.5-Sameer is absconding. The contraband seized is 1 kg 70 grams, which falls under intermediate

quantity and remand case diary goes to show that respondent has altogether examined 10 witnesses in support of the case.

8. It appears from the record that major portion of the investigation is completed, detaining the petitioners-accused Nos.1, 3 and 4 further in judicial custody will not serve the purpose. Hence, the petitioners-accused Nos.1, 3 and 4 are entitled to be enlarged on bail, subject to the following conditions:

i. The petitioners-accused Nos.1, 3 and 4 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 Judicial Magistrate of First Class at Armoor.

ii. The petitioners-accused Nos.1, 3 and 4 shall appear before the concerned SHO between 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., on every Sunday 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-accused Nos.1, 3 and 4 shall abide by the conditions stipulated in Section 437(3) of Cr.P.C.(presently, Section 480(3) of the BNSS).

iv. The petitioners-accused Nos.1, 3 and 4 shall not directly or indirectly influence, threaten, or induce any of the prosecution witnesses.

v. It is made clear that if any of the above conditions are violated, the prosecution is at liberty to file an application for cancellation of the bail.

9. Accordingly, the Criminal petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

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