IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATE OF TELANGANA
AT HYDERABAD

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE VAKITI RAMAKRISHNA REDDY

CRIMINAL PETITION No.18517 of 2026

(CNR.No. HBHC010774252026)

DATE: 19.11.2026

BETWEEN:
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.....Petitioner-Accused No. 4

And

The State of Telangana,
Rep. by its Public Prosecutor,
High Court for the State of Telangana, Hyderabad ,
Through the Station House Officer,
Wyra Police Station, Khammam District.

.....Respondent

:ORDER:

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 petitioner, who are arrayed as accused No.4, on bail in connection with FIR No.85 of 2026 of Wyra Police Station, Khammam Distrit, which was registered for the offences punishable under Sections 8(c) read with Section 20(b)(ii)(C), 27 and 29 of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (for short 'the NDPS Act').

2. Heard Sri P. Vikas Raj, learned counsel for the petitioner-accused No.4 and Sri M. Vivekananda Reddy, learned Assistant Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent–State.

3. The case of the prosecution is that, on 09.09.2026 at about 17.00 hours, the Sub Inspector of Police, Wyra Police Station, on credible information, apprehended a Ford car bearing No.AP 260 AH 1112 near Greenfield approach Road, in which accused Nos.4 and 6 were travelling. During interrogation, they allegedly disclosed that they were proceeding towards Odisha in the said vehicle provided by accused No.7, for procuring ganja. Thereafter, a case in Crime No.85 of 2026 was registered and the petitioner-accused No.4 was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 09.09.2026.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent of the alleged offences and he has been falsely implicated in the present case and that no contraband was seized from the possession of petitioner-accused No.4 at the time of apprehension. He further submitted that the petitioner is in judicial custody since 09.09.2026. He further submitted that accused No.6 was enlarged on bail *vide* order dated 31.10.2026 in Crl.P.No.17027 of 2026, therefore, applying the parity principle, he is entitled to grant bail.

5. On the other hand, learned Assistant Public Prosecutor opposed for grant of bail and submitted that the petitioner was previously involved in another Crime No.30 of 2023 on the file of Maredumillli Police Station, Alluri District, Andhra Pradesh District, which is pending trial. He further submitted that the investigation is under progress, and if the petitioner is being released on bail, there is every likelihood of his indulging in similar offences again, hence, he prayed to dismiss the present petition.

6. In the light of the submissions made by both the learned counsel and upon perusal of the material available on record, it appears that the petitioner herein has been in judicial custody since 09.09.2026. As seen from the remand case diary, it is evident that petitioner-accused No.4 and accused No.6 were travelling in the same car. The specific allegations are made against accused Nos.1 to 3.

7. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the nature of the allegations, and the duration of incarceration, this Court is inclined to grant bail to petitioner/ accused No.4, subject to the following conditions:

i. The petitioner – accused No.4 shall execute a personal bond for a sum of

Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only), with two sureties for a like sum each to the satisfaction of the learned Additional Judicial First Class Magistrate at Madhira.

ii. The petitioner – accused No. 4 shall appear before the concerned SHO between 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 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 petitioner – accused No.4 shall abide by the conditions stipulated in Section 437 (3) of Cr.P.C. (presently, Section 480 (3) of the BNSS).

iv. The petitioner –accused No.4 shall not directly or indirectly influence, threaten, or induce any of the prosecution witnesses.

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.

8. Accordingly, this Criminal Petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

VAKITI RAMAKRISHNA REDDY, J

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