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IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI

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W.P.(CRL) 1163/2026

ROSHAN LAL

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. UA Khan, Mr. Tushar
Upadhyaya, Advs.

versus

UNION OF INDIA & ANR.

.....Respondent

Through: Mr. Neeraj Kumar, CGSC, for
UOI.

Mr. Amol Sinha, ASC with Mr
Kshitiz Garg, Mr. Ashvini
Kumar, Ms. Chavi Lazarus, Mr.
Nitish Dhawan, Mr. Anshul
Sharma, Advs. and Insp. Vikas
Pannu, SI Vipin Rathi,
ANTF/Crime Branch for State.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAVIN CHAWLA

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAVINDER DUDEJA

ORDER

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29.04.2026

1. This petition has been filed by the petitioner praying for the following relief:

- i. *Issue a writ/direction in the nature of Habeas Corpus for quashing/set aside the impugned detention order bearing no. U-11011/19/25-PITNDPS dated 26.02.2026 passed by Sh. Anupam Prakash, The Joint Secretary, Govt. of India under section 3 (1) of The Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substance (PITNDPS) Act 1988, or that.*
- ii. *Allow the petitioner/detenuue to file his representation before the Hon'ble Advisory Board Delhi High Court, New Delhi instead of Hon'ble Advisory Board Madras High Court, Chennai, Tamil Nadu.*



iii. *Kindly direct the detaining authority (Respondent no.1) to shift the petitioner/detenu from the Central Prison, Puzhal, Chennai, Tamil Nadu to Tihar Jail, New Delhi or to any other jail of Delhi during the period of impugned preventive detention order dated 26.02.2026....*

2. The learned counsel for the respondent has handed over a copy of the order dated 22.04.2026, by which the respondent has revoked the Impugned Detention Order and directed the forthwith release of the petitioner, unless continued detention is required in any other matter.

3. Though the learned counsel for the petitioner insists that the question as to whether the jurisdiction vested in the Advisory Board constituted at the State of Tamil Nadu was proper or not, should be determined in the present petition, in our view, once the Detention Order has been revoked, the aforesaid issue would only be an academic question which we leave open to be determined in an appropriate petition.

4. The present petition has been rendered infructuous and is, accordingly disposed of as such.

NAVIN CHAWLA, J

RAVINDER DUDEJA, J

APRIL 29, 2026/lks/sk/pb