

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

THE HONOURABLE SMT. JUSTICE K. SUJANA

CRIMINAL PETITION No.15494 of 2025

DATE: 02.12.2025

Between:

Adnan Ali

.... Petitioner/Accused No.2

AND

The Superintendent of Customs (Preventive)
Hyderabad Customs Commissionerate,
GST Bhavan, Basheer bagh, Hyderabad
Represented by Special Public Prosecutor,
High Court for the State of Telangana, at
Hyderabad, T.S.

.... Respondent/Complainant

ORDER

Seeking the Court to enlarge the petitioner who arrayed as
accused No.2 in HQPOR No.08/2025 CUS (PREV) in
C.No.AirCus/49/Adjn/61/2025/AIU-B, registered for the offences
punishable under Sections 20, 23 and 29 of the Narcotic Drugs
and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (for short 'NDPS Act'), on
bail, the present Criminal Petition is filed.

2. The brief facts of the case are that based on passenger profiling that two passengers accused Nos.1 and 2, Indian Nationals, travelling from Bangkok to Hyderabad by Thai Airways Light No. TG-329, which landed at the RGI Airport, Hyderabad were suspected to be carrying some contraband. The officers of Air Intelligence Unit (AIU), Customs, Rajiv Gandhi International Airport (RGIA) carried out the seizure of a total 9200.000 grams of ganja which was concealed in polythene packets within the clothes in green coloured hand bag of accused No.1 and in pink coloured hand bag of accused No.2 in the presence of independent witnesses and registered a case against the accused for the alleged offences.

3. Heard Sri Khaja Arajuddin, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner as well as learned Standing Counsel for CBIC appearing on behalf of the respondent.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent of the said allegations and was falsely implicated in the case and that the seized contraband i.e., 9200 grams of ganja, constitutes an intermediate quantity was recovered from the possession of accused Nos.1 and 2 and even according to the respondent, the petitioner is carrying only 4600 grams, which also constitute an intermediate quantity. He further submitted that the petitioner has been in judicial custody since 27.10.2025

and that all the material witnesses have been examined and further detention of the petitioner is unwarranted. Therefore, he prayed the Court to grant bail to the petitioner by allowing this criminal petition.

5. On the other hand, learned Standing Counsel for CBIC opposed the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, contending that although the seized contraband falls under the category of intermediate quantity, it is a costlier substance and the investigation is still ongoing. Therefore, granting bail to the petitioner, at this stage, does not arise and prayed the Court to dismiss the petition.

6. Considering the submissions of both learned counsel and upon perusal of the material available on record, it is observed that the seized contraband i.e., 9200 grams of ganja falls under the category of intermediate quantity and the petitioner has been in judicial custody since 27.10.2025, and a substantial portion of the investigation has already been completed. In view of these circumstances, this Court deems it fit to grant bail to the petitioner, subject to the following conditions:

- i. The petitioner shall execute a personal bond for a sum of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees

Fifty Thousand only), with two sureties for a like sum each to the satisfaction of the learned XXV Additional Judicial Magistrate at Rajender Nagar, Cyberabad, Ranga Reddy District. Further, the petitioner shall surrender his passport, if any, before the said Court and shall not apply for a fresh passport without prior permission of the said Court.

- ii. The petitioner shall appear before the concerned SHO at 11:00 a.m., on every Monday for a period of eight (8) week or till filing of charge sheet whichever is earlier, for the purpose of investigation, and thereafter, as and when required.
- iii. The petitioner shall abide by the conditions stipulated in Section 437(3) of Cr.P.C. (presently, Section 480(3) of the BNSS).

7. Accordingly, the Criminal petition is allowed.

Miscellaneous applications, if any pending, shall stand closed.

K. SUJANA, J

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