



IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT AMARAVATI

TUESDAY, THE TWENTY FIFTH DAY OF APRIL
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY THREE

:PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE K SREENIVASA REDDY

CRIMINAL PETITION NO: 247 OF 2023

Between:

1. Puttapally Ravi (A.2), s/o Dhana Lakshmi Hindu, Valmiki, Male, 32 years, Coolie R/o Polluru, Mothugudem Village, Chinturu Mandal, ASR East Godavari District State of Andhra Pradesh
2. Konety Satyanarayana(A.4), s/o Bikshapathi Hindu, Male, 42 years, Business Rio D.No.7-1-183, Adarsh Nagar, Manugur Khammam- State of Telangana

Petitioners/Accused 2,4

AND

The State of Andhra Pradesh, through SHO of Maredumilli P.S. Rep. by it's Public Prosecutor, High Court, Amaravati

Respondent/Complainant

Petition under Sections 437 & 439 of Cr.P.C, praying that in the circumstances stated in the memorandum of grounds filed in support of the Criminal Petition, the High Court may be pleased to enlarge the petitioners on bail in Crime No.76 /2022, dated 23-10-2022, of Maredumilli PS.

COUNSEL FOR THE PETITIONERS : SRI SARASCHANDRA BABU
JAKKAMSETTY

COUNSEL FOR THE RESPONDENT : PUBLIC PROSECUTOR

THE COURT MADE THE FOLLOWING ORDER

HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE K. SREENIVASA REDDY

Criminal Petition No.247 of 2023

Order:

This Criminal Petition, under Sections 437 and 439 of Cr.P.C., has been filed by the petitioners/Accused Nos.2 and 4, seeking regular bail, in Crime No.76 of 2022 of Maredumilli Police Station, Alluri Sitharamaraju District.

2) A case has been registered against the petitioners and others for the offence punishable under Section 8(c) r/w 20(b)(ii)(C) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (for short 'the NDPS Act').

3) Brief facts of the case are that, on 23.10.2022 at 6.00 A.M., at G.M.Valasa Junction at Maredumilli outskirts, A1 to A4 were arrested by the C.I of Police, Maredumilli, while they were transporting 72 Kgs of Ganja in two bags containing each 30 Kgs and white colour bag containing 12 Kgs of Ganja in an Innova Car bearing No.MH 4D 7000 with fake registration number AP39DJ 3689 and on Bajaj Pulsar black colour motor cycle bearing No.AP31 DX 6330 from Tulasipakalu to Rajamahendravaram via Maredumilli. The contraband along with the vehicles and other materials was seized under the

cover of a mediators report. A1 to A4 were arrested on 23.10.2022 and sent to judicial custody on the same day.

4) Heard. Perused the record.

5) The petitioners were arrested and sent to judicial custody on 23.10.2022 and since then they are in judicial remand. Statutory period of 180 days has been completed and till today police could not complete the investigation and file charge sheet. The learned Special Assistant Public Prosecutor submitted that police have not filed any petition for extension for investigation.

6) In view of the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioners/Accused No.2 and 4, on the following conditions.

(i) The petitioners/Accused Nos.2 and 4 shall be released on each of them executing a personal bond for Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) with two sureties for a like sum each to the satisfaction of the learned Judicial Magistrate of First Class, Rampachodavaram;

(ii) On release, the petitioners shall appear before the Station House Officer, concerned, once in a week i.e., on every

Friday between 10.00 a.m., and 01.00 p.m., till filing of the charge sheet.

(iii) The petitioners shall not directly or indirectly contact or threaten the witnesses under any circumstances and any such attempt shall be construed as an attempt of influencing the witnesses and shall not tamper evidence and shall co-operate with the investigation.

It is made clear that the petitioners shall scrupulously comply with the above conditions and breach of any of the above conditions will be viewed seriously and prosecution is at liberty to move an application for cancellation of the bail.

7) Accordingly, the Criminal Petition is **allowed**.

Sd/- S. SRINIVASA PRASAD
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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SECTION OFFICER

To,

1. The Judicial First Class Magistrate at Rampa Chodavaram
2. The Superintendent, Central Jail, Rajamahendravaram
3. The SHO , Maredumilli P.S, Alluri Sitharamaraju District.
4. One CC to Sri Saraschandra Babu Jakkamsetty Advocate [OPUC]
5. Two CCs to Public Prosecutor, High Court of AP [OUT]
6. One spare copy

HIGH COURT

SRKJ

DATED:25/04/2023

BAIL ORDER

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ALLOWED

