

PRESS NOTE

INTERSTATE GANJA SMUGGLING RACKET BUSTED – EIGHT NON-LOCAL DRUG PEDDLERS HELD – SEIZED (650)-KGs OF GANJA, ONE EICHER VAN, ONE MARUTHI ERTIGA, NET CASH RS.60,000/- AND (10) MOBILE PHONES TOTAL WORTH RS.83,60,000/-

On 09/01/2021 morning, on receipt of credible information, the sleuths of Special Operations Team (SOT), LB Nagar Zone along with Hayathnagar Police nabbed eight persons namely 1) Pathala Nagesh, 2) Mogga Hari, 3) Ravada Venkata Kishore Reddy, 4) Guddeti Kannama Naidu, 5) Ganji Teja, 6) Maggi Chakravarthy, 7) Gurugolli Appal Reddy and 8) Pasupuneti Shivaji near Pedda Amberpet 'X' road under Hayathnagar PS while they were transporting the contraband drug i.e. Ganja from Visakhapatnam agency area of AP State to Zaheerabad of Sangareddi district, Telangana. Seized (650) KGs of ganja, Eicher vehicle bearing no.AP-29-TB-5231, Maruti Ertiga bearing no.AP-39-BV-2358, Net cash Rs.60,000/- & (10) mobile phones, all W/Rs.83,60,000/- from their possession.

CR.NO.28/2020 U/S 20 (II) (B) NDPS ACT OF HAYATH NAGAR POLICE STATION

DETAILS OF ACCUSED PERSONS:

1. Pathala Nagesh s/o Ramana babu, age: 23 years, Caste: Kapu, Occ: Agriculture, R/o Butchayyapeta village & mandal of Visakhapatnam, AP.
2. Mogga Hari s/o Aappa Rao, age: 27 years, Caste: Medhara, Occ: Scrap business, R/o Ravikamatham village & mandal of Visakhapatnam dist., AP.
3. Ravada Venkata Kishore Reddy s/o Appal Reddy, age: 30 years, Caste: Reddika, Occ: Scrap business, R/o Ravikamatham (V) & (M) of Visakhapatnam district, AP.
4. Guddeti Kannama Naidu, s/o Demulu, age: 27years, Caste; Yadav, Occ: Auto driver, R/o Pottudari palem (V), Butchayyapet (M) of Visakhapatnam district, AP.
5. Ganji Teja s/o Rama Rao, age: 22 years, Caste: Kapu, Occ: Driver, R/o Ravikamatham village & mandal of Visakhapatnam district, AP.
6. Maggi Chakravarthy s/o Narsinga rao, age: 31 years, Caste: Kapu, Occ: Poultry business, R/o Bennavolu village, Chodavaram mandal of Visakhapatnam district.
7. Gurugolli Appal Reddy s/o Nuka Raju, age: 28 years, Caste: Reddika, Occ: Driver, R/o Kakarapally village, Munagapaka mandal Visakhapatnam district.

8. Pasupuneti Shivaji s/o Sathibabu, age: 27 years, Caste: Kapu, Occ: Agriculture & driver, R/o Marupaka village, Ravikamatham mandal of Visakhapatnam district.
9. Karthik Rathod, R/o Zaheerabad Town of Telangana **(Receiver & absconding)**

SEIZED MATERIAL:

1. Ganja (650) KGs.
2. Eicher vehicle bearing no.AP-29-TB-5231,
3. Maruti Ertiga bearing no.AP-39-BV-2358
4. Net Cash Rs.60,000/-
5. (10) Mobile phones,

Total worth of seized property is Rs.83,60,000/- (Eighty-three lakhs and Sixty thousand rupees only)

BRIEF FACTS:

The A-1 Pathala Nagesh is a resident of Butchayyapeta village & mandal of Visakhapatnam district and habitual offender in illicit transportation of Ganja from Visakhapatnam agency area of Andhra Pradesh State to different places like Zaheerabad and other bordering areas of Maharashtra State. He has well accomplishment with some of the sellers and receivers of Ganja. Prior to it, a similar case in Cr.No.100/2020 has been registered against him & others in Zaheerabad PS, in which he is still wanted. The A-2 to A-8 are the close friends of A-1 and belonging to the nearby villages located in the surrounding area of Butchayyapeta village & mandal. Since some days, all the accused persons are facing some financial crisis. Upon that the A-1 asked them to join with him for illicit transportation of Ganja. For which, he also assured them to give equal share to all. Of which, since the A-3 Ravada Venkata Kishore Reddy has Eicher van, the accused persons planned to transport the Ganja in his Eicher van bearing no.AP-29-TB-5231.

According to their plan, the A-1 talked to his known customer A-9 Karthik Rathod, R/o Zaheerabad Town who agreed to receive the Ganja. Then, all the accused persons A-2 to A-8 under the direction of A-1 purchased (650) KGs of Ganja from the agency area i.e. G.Madugula (V) & mandal of Visakhapatnam district @ Rs.3000/- per KG in order to sell the same to the A-9 Karthik Rathod @ Rs.10,000/- per KG. Later, yesterday i.e. on 08.01.2021, the A-1 to A-8 packed the procured Ganja in (300) packets containing (2 to 2.5 Kgs) in each and loaded the same in Eicher van bearing no.AP-29-TB-5231 of A-3 and left G.Madugula village in the same van being driven by the A-7 Gurugolli Appal Reddy and A-8 Pasupuneti Shivaji so as to hand

over the same to the A-9 Karthik Rathod in the surrounding area of Zaheerabad town as stated by the receiver. Further, the accused persons also took Maruti Ertiga bearing no.AP-39-BV-2358 for hire from their known person and started piloting the Ganja van. The A-5 Ganji Teja has driven said Maruthi car.

But, today i.e. on 09.01.2021 at morning hours, when the accused persons A-1 to A-8 reached near Pedda Amberpet 'X' road, the SOT LB Nagar team along with Hayathnagar Police caught the accused and seized the material objects as noted above from their possession and instance.

The above arrests were made under the supervision of Sri Mahesh M Bhagwat, IPS, Commissioner of Police, Rachakonda Commissionerate, Sri G.Sudheer Babu, IPS., Addl. Commissioner of Police, Rachakonda, Sri Sunpreet Singh, IPS, Deputy Commissioner of Police, LB Nagar Zone under the direct guidance of Sri J. Surender Reddy, Addl. Dy. Commissioner of Police, Special Operations Team, Rachakonda, by Sri M.Surender, Inspector of Police Hayathnagar PS, Sri T.Ravi Kumar, Inspector of Police, Sri Avinash babu, SI of Police and staff of Special Operations Team.





