

# IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI

## Cr. Bail Application No. 1622 of 2025

Applicant : Muhammad Ramzan  
through Mr. Jamil Khaskheli, Advocate.

Respondent : The State  
through Mr. Musharraf Azhar,  
Special Prosecutor ANF.

Date of hearing : 10.11.2025

Date of Order : 18.11.2025

### ORDER

**OMAR SIAL, J.-** The prosecution case reflected by F.I.R. No. 14 of 2025 registered under sections 6 and 9(1)(3)(c) of the CNS Act, 1997 on 24.03.2025 is as follows:

2. An ANF party led by S.I. Jahangir, acting on spy information, arrested Mohammad Ramzan while he had a sack with 37.250 kilograms of betel nut in it. We asked the Special Prosecutor if carrying betel nuts was an offence under the CNS Act, 1997, and he replied that it was not. He clarified that 1 kilogram of charas was recovered from the same bag containing the betelnuts, but, due to an oversight, it is not recorded in the F.I.R. We find this lapse on the part of ANF unusual. To make matters worse for A.N.F., the entire case and the entire story narrated by them becomes further doubtful after the applicant's counsel put on record a photograph showing Mohammad Ramzan in Pakistan Rangers custody on 22.03.2025, showing money, weapons, bullets, and many small packets of charas lying in front of a table. The learned Special Prosecutor, taken unaware by the photograph, could only say that the photo shows a Rangers official, not ANF personnel. Be that as it may, sufficient doubt is cast on the authenticity of the ANF case. Malafide cannot be conclusively ruled out at this stage. If the Rangers had made the

arrest and then not seized jurisdiction in the narcotics case, they would have handed the accused over to the ANF; it would have been a different story, with the facts recorded differently. This, unfortunately, was not the case. Forensic analysis of the photograph is required, and the investigating officer must conduct it at the earliest, so that the trial court is aware of the situation when deciding the case. Upon a tentative assessment, however, doubt is created, making the case against the applicant one of further inquiry.

3. Given the above, the applicant is admitted to post-arrest bail against a surety of Rs. one million and a P.R. Bond for the same amount to the satisfaction of the trial court.

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