

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, KARACHI

Cr. Bail Application No.1854 of 2026

Present:

Mr. Justice Muhammad Iqbal Kalhoro

Mr. Justice Khalid Hussain Shahani

Applicant:- Nabeel through Mr. Naeem Ali Bizenjo, Advocate.

Respondent:- The State through Mr. Muhammad Noonari,
Deputy Prosecutor General.

Date of hearing:- 18.08.2026

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MUHAMMAD IQBAL KALHORO J: Applicant was arrested on 22.05.2025 by a police team of PS Shah Latif, Karachi, headed by SIP Ghulam Qadir from Malir Naddi, Pashumby Goth, Shah Latif Town, Karachi and from him allegedly 520 grams of charas and 600 grams ice were recovered, hence he was booked in the present case.

2. Earlier, he filed a Bail Application No.3064/2025, which was disposed of by giving direction to the trial Court to hold expeditious trial and conclude it in four months. But since then not a single witness has been examined and on this ground applicant's counsel has pleaded for bail, apart from citing the fact that the applicant is the first offender and there is no video recording of the incident in compliance of section 17(2) of the Sindh Control of Narcotics Substance Act, 2024.

3. On the other hand, learned DPG has opposed.

4. However, we are of the view that the expeditious trial is a right of the accused which in this case appears to have been denied to the applicant. Applicant is in Jail since 22.05.2025 but trial court has failed to even examine a single witness despite directions by this Court to expedite the trial. More so, compliance of section 17(2) of the Sindh Control of Narcotics Substance Act, 2024 has not been done.

5. In view of above, we accept this bail application and allow bail to the applicant subject to furnishing a solvent surety in the sum of

Rs.1,00,000/- and PR Bond in the like amount to the satisfaction of the trial Court.

6. The Bail Application is disposed of accordingly. The observations herein above are tentative in nature and shall not affect the case of either party on merits before the trial Court.

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