

ORDER SHEET
IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, KARACHI
Cr. B.A. No.2682 of 2025
(Akhtar vs. The State)

For hearing of bail application

Date of hearing
& order **27.11.2025**

Mr. Muhammad Hanif, advocate for applicant
Mr. Ali Haider Salim, Addl: PG Sindh

ORDER

Muhammad Iqbal Kalhoro, J:- Applicant is seeking post arrest bail in a case bearing Crime No.396/2025, u/s 6/9(1)(3)(b) CNS (Amendment) Act, 2024, registered at Police Station Malir City, Karachi by means of this application.

2. Applicant was arrested on 11.06.2025 by a Police Team of Police Station Malir City, headed by SIP Shoukat Ali, from Bawan Shah Road, near Mai Satti Mazar, Malir City Karachi, and from him 120 grams of heroin was allegedly recovered. Hence, he was booked in this case.

3. Learned counsel for the applicant submits that there is violation of Section 17 of the Sindh Control of Narcotics Amendment Act, 2025 i.e. video recording , hence, the case against the applicant requires further enquiry and he is entitled to bail.

4. His arguments have been opposed by learned Additional Prosecutor General Sindh on the ground that there are nine cases of identical nature registered against him, and he is a habitual offender.

5. Record reflects, the applicant is habitual offender, and is found repeatedly committing similar offence, which is evident from the fact that against him previously nine cases of identical nature have been registered. Every time, he is granted bail, he has repeated the offence and sent back to jail. He is not mending his ways despite chances given. The effect of Section 17 of the Sindh Control of Narcotics Amendment Act, 2025 is a matter to be evaluated by the trial Court after recording evidence and requires deeper appreciation. Hence, the applicant is not entitled to bail, and this bail application is accordingly dismissed. However, the trial Court is directed to expedite the trial and conclude it as soon as possible.

6. Bail application stands disposed of in the above terms. The observations made hereinabove are tentative in nature and would not prejudice case of either party at trial.

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