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IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, CIRCUIT COURT,

1st Criminal Bail No.S-06 of 2025

Muhammad Hanif Langove V/S The State

Applicant:

Through Mr. Faroog Ahmed Gaad,

Advocate.

State:

Through Mr. Ali Anwar Kandhro,

Additional Prosecutor General, Sindh.

Date of Hearing:

04.02.2025

Date of Decision:

04.02.2025

ORDER

Omar Sial, J.- Applicant Muhammad Hanif son of Muhammad Ibrahim Langove has been nominated accused in the F.LR. No.283/2024, registered under sections 4-8(1), Sindh Prohibition of Preparation, Manufacturing, Storage, Sale and Use of Gutka and Manpuri Act, 2019, at Saddar Jacobabad Police Station. His earlier application seeking bail was dismissed by the Sessions Judge, Jacobabad, vide order dated 01.01.2025.

- The allegation against the applicant is that he was apprehended alongwith 23 K.G Manpuri Gutka as well as cash of Rs.300/-.
- 3. I have heard the learned counsel for the applicant and the learned Additional Prosecutor General.
- 4. The learned Additional Prosecutor General has confirmed that no other case is registered against the applicant Muhammad Hanif. In such an eventuality under section 8(i) of the Act, 2019 the potential sentence which can be awarded to Muhammad Hanif is 1 to 3 years and a fine of Rs.200,000/-. Although the offence is not bailable, it falls within the non prohibitory clause of section 497 Cr.P.C. Keeping in mind the principles enunciated in Tariq Bashir and 5 others vs. The State (PLD 1995 SC



34), I do not see any exceptional or extraordinary reason to deny the applicant bail.

5. Given the above, the applicant is admitted to bail subject to him furnishing surety of Rs.500,000/- (Rupees Five Hundred Thousands only) and P.R Bond in the like amount to the satisfaction of the learned trial Court.

JUDGE