

IN THE COURT OF THE SESSIONS JUDGE, ALAPPUZHA
Present:- Sri.K.K.Balakrishnan, Sessions Judge
Friday the 14th day of November 2025

CRL. M.P.No.3060/2025

(Crime No.475/2025 of Ramankary Police Station)

Between:-

Rinoj Thomas, Aged 40 years, S/o Thomas Cherian, Vayalattu Aarupara house, Kayelpuram, Pulinkunnu Village, Alappuzha 688504	}	Petitioner/ Accused
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State of Kerala represented by Public Prosecutor, Alappuzha	}	Respondent
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Petition filed by the petitioner, who is A2 in crime No.475/2025 of Ramankari Police Station, to lift condition No.(ii) imposed by this court while granting bail to him, as per order in Crl.M.P.No.2423/2025 dated 17.09.2025

Petition was presented on : 22.10.2025

This petition coming on 13.11.2025 for hearing before me in the presence of Adv.Sri.Shiekh Muhammed, Counsel for the petitioner; Public Prosecutor for the Respondent; the Court on 14.11.2025 passed the following:-

ORDER

This petition is filed by the petitioner, who is A2 in crime No.475/2025 of Ramankari Police Station, to lift condition No.(ii) imposed by this court while granting bail to him, as per order in Crl.M.P.No.2423/2025 dated 17.09.2025.

Condition No:(ii) in the said order is;

'(ii) He shall appear before the Investigating Officer on every Saturday between 11.00 am and 1.00 pm for a period of four months and as and when directed in writing and shall co-operate with the investigation.'

The above crime was registered alleging offences punishable under Section 20(b)(ii)(B) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act. The petitioner has been diligently complying with all the bail conditions imposed by this Court without any violation. He submits that, he is now required to join the hospital, where he was previously working as a nurse in STAR Hospital at Hyderabad. Hence strict enforcement of this condition would cause him severe prejudice. If condition No.(ii) is not modified, the petitioner would be put to irreparable loss and hardships. He is ready to co-operate with the investigation and undertakes that he will appear before the investigating officer as and when required. Hence it is sought to modify the said condition.

2. The Investigating Officer filed a report opposing the petition. The Investigating Officer contends that if the bail condition is relaxed, there is every likelihood of absconding of him and committing similar offences by the petitioner. There is definite possibility of the evidence being tampered with, if condition is relaxed. So, sought for the dismissal of the petition.

3. Heard both sides.

4. The learned counsel for the petitioner reiterated the contentions raised in the petition seeking modification of condition No.(ii) in the bail order. The petitioner is ready to appear physically or through video conferencing before the investigating officer at any time. It is submitted that unless the said condition is lifted or modified, it would cause irreparable injury and hardship to the petitioner and adversely affect his future prospects.

5. Perusal of the available records and the submissions of the learned counsel for the petitioner show that the reasons stated by the petitioner are found to be genuine. The petitioner is employed as a staff nurse at STAR

Hospital, Hyderabad. He was arrested in connection with this crime on 06.08.2025 and was released on bail on 17.09.2025. It is noted that the investigation has not been completed even after the registration of the case. Hence, considering all the facts and circumstances of the case, I am of the opinion that the condition imposed while granting bail to the petitioner is liable to be modified. Accordingly, condition No.(ii) in the bail order dated 17.09.2025 in CrI.M.P. No.2423/2025 is hereby modified to the extent that the petitioner shall appear before the Investigating Officer on every Second Saturday for the remaining period as stipulated in condition No.(ii) of the bail order.

In the result, this petition is allowed in part.

Dictated to the Confidential Assistant, directly typed by him, corrected and pronounced by me, on this the 14th day of November, 2025.

Sd/-
SESSIONS JUDGE
ALAPPUZHA