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POTENCY DRUGS NOT UNDER NDPS ACT: SC

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Sexual enhancement drugs containing herbs and medicines are not covered under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, the Supreme Court has observed in a recent order.

The observation came in an appeal for bail by a man accused in a case involving the seizure of about 1,37,665 tablets of different types collectively weighing approximately 90 kg from four locations in Chennai in 2019.

Forensic tests showed that a "large number" of tablets seized by the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) contained herbs to enhance male potency.

In its order granting bail and reversing a High Court order, a Bench led by Chief Justice N.V. Ramana, pointed out that sexual enhancement pills do not come within the ambit of the NDPS law.

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