

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF SEYCHELLES

Criminal Side: CO 15/2014

[2015] SCSC 020

THE REPUBLIC

versus

TREVOR DARREL PAYET
Accused

Heard:

Counsel: Ms. Confait, Assistant State Counsel for the Republic
Mr. Gabriel for the accused

Delivered: 2 February 2015

SENTENCE

Dodin J

- [1] The Convict Trevor Darrel Payet has been convicted on his own guilty pleas to one count of possession of 235.5 grams of Cannabis herbal material and a further count of possession of 5.03 grams of Cannabis herbal material.
- [2] The offences were committed in March 2014 and the Convict is a first time offender and therefore not subject to a mandatory minimum sentence.

[3] Learned Counsel for the Convict moved the Court in mitigation to impose lenient sentences as the Convict has pleaded guilty and saved the Court's time and expenses. He is 22 years old and the father of a 1 year old daughter. He expressed regret and shown remorse.

[4] I have considered the mitigating factors submitted by Learned Counsel for the Convict but also note that the amount of drugs involved, although being Class B Drugs, are on the high side.

[5] Having so considered I find that a sentence of imprisonment is necessary in this case. I therefore impose the following sentences on the Convict.

Count1 – Possession of 235.5 grams of Cannabis herbal material; I sentence the Convict to 4 years imprisonment.

Count 3 – Possession of 5.03 grams of Cannabis herbal material; I sentence the Convict to 1 year imprisonment.

[6] The sentences shall run consecutively. Any time spent on remand shall be deducted from the sentence. I further order that the sum of SR8850 seized by the NDEA be forfeited to the Republic.

[7] The Convict can appeal against the sentences within 30 working days.

Signed, dated and delivered at Ile du Port on 2 February 2015



G Dodin
Judge of the Supreme Court