IN THE SUPREME COURT OF SEYCHELLES

Reportable

[2021] SCSC ... CO47/2021

THE REPUBLIC

(Represented by Ms. Monthy)

versus

BRUCE PIERRE CESAR

(Represented by Mr. Andre)

Neutral Citation: *The Republic vs Bruce Pierre Cesar* (CO47/2021) [2021]SCSC.....(23rd July

2021).

Before: Dodin J. **Heard:** 23rd July 2021 **Delivered:** 23rd July 2021

SENTENCE

G. DODIN

- [1] This is the sentence after mitigation. Learned counsel for the convict has told the Court that the convict is 25 years old. He is a first offender. He is the father of a two year old boy and he is living with his partner, the mother of his son and his mother at Beoliere.
- [2] He has pleaded guilty and has not wasted the Court's time and the amount of drugs is on the low side being 1st Count, 2.2 grams of Cannabis Raisin and 2nd Count 34.07 grams of Cannabis Herbal Material and they are both Class B drugs. Learned Counsel moves for leniency.

[3] I have considered the mitigating factors and I do not see any aggravating factor in this case. So I take the view that a sentence of imprisonment is not called for in this case. So I impose the following sentences;

(i) For Count 1, a fine of Rs7000/-.

(ii) On Count 2, one year imprisonment, which is suspended for two years with

condition that the convict does not commit any similar offense during that period

of two years in addition to a fine of Rs10, 000/- because he was charged in this

count with intention to traffic.

[4] So the total fine would be Rs17, 000/-. He must pay the fine within 6 months of today and he

can pay by instalments provided he concludes payments within six months. Any default

of payment after six months, he would be committed to serve a term of six months

imprisonment.

Signed, dated and delivered at Ile du Port on 23rd July 2021

G. Dodin