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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 21-08-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N.RAMESH

CRL OP No. 22718 of 2026

1. Muthubalaji
S/o.Kothandaraman,
No.3/16, Ganapathipalayam,
Tiruppur District-642122.
2. Ajaykumar
S/o.Kamaraj,
9/174-1, Kamaraj Nagar,
Bodipatti, Tiruppur-642154.
3. Prakash
S/o.Velusamy,
913, Kamaraj Nagar,
Gandhinagar, Udumalpet,
Tiruppur District-642154.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State Rep by The Inspector of Police
Kamanaickenpalayam Police Station,
Tiruppur District.
Crime No.193/2026.

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in connection with the Crime No.193 of 2026 on the file of respondent police and pass such further order or orders deems fit and proper in the circumstances of the case.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.Sujith.G

For Respondent(s): M.M.I.Khaleel
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)



ORDER

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The petitioners, who were arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 20.07.2026 for the alleged offences under Sections 8(c) r/w 20(b)(ii)(B), 25 and 29(1) of NDPS Act, 1985 in Crime No.193 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seek bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioners were found to be in possession of 1.520 kgs of ganja. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners have been falsely implicated in the present case and that they have not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He further submitted that the petitioners are ready to abide by any stringent conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prays for grant of bail to the Petitioners.

4. Per contra, the learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the Respondent Police reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that the 1st and 3rd petitioners have no criminal antecedents and with regard to 2nd petitioner, he has one previous case, similar in nature pending against him. He further submitted that the contraband was recovered from the accused persons and the quantity involved in this case is an intermediate



quantity. Hence, he opposed the grant of bail to the petitioners.

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5. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioners, the learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) for the respondent Police and perused the materials available on record.

6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case; taking note of the submission made by the learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side); considering the totality of the circumstances and considering the fact that the 1st and 3rd petitioners have no criminal antecedents and the quantity involved is of an intermediate quantity, hence this Court is inclined to grant **bail to the 1st and 3rd petitioners** and that with regard to 2nd petitioner, **this Criminal Original Petition is dismissed insofar as 2nd petitioner is concerned** on the ground that the second petitioner has one previous case, similar in nature pending against him. **Hence, this Court is not inclined to grant bail to the 2nd petitioner and inclined to grant bail to the 1st and 3rd petitioners subject to certain conditions.**

7. Accordingly, the 1st and 3rd petitioners are ordered to be released on bail on their executing a separate bond for a sum of **Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only)** with **two sureties each**, for a like sum to the satisfaction of the **learned Judicial Magistrate, Palladam, Tiruppur, at**



Coimbatore, and on further conditions that:

[a] the sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the Application for Surety ship [Judicial Form No.46 annexed to 'The Criminal Rules of Practice, 2019']. The learned Magistrate shall obtain a copy of any one of the identity proofs to ensure their identity;

[b] the 1st and 3rd petitioners shall report before the respondent police everyday at 10.30 a.m., until further orders;

[c] the 1st and 3rd petitioners shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

[d] the 1st and 3rd petitioners shall not tamper with the evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

[e] On breach of any of the aforementioned conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to pass appropriate orders against the 1st and 3rd petitioners in accordance with law as if the aforementioned conditions have been imposed and the 1st and 3rd petitioners released on bail by the learned Magistrate/Trial Court himself as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in **P.K.Shaji vs. State of Kerala [(2005)13 SCC 283]**;

[f] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of B.N.S.

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To

1. The Judicial Magistrate,
Palladam, Tiruppur.

2. The Inspector of Police
Kamanaickenpalayam Police Station,
Tiruppur District.

3. The Superintendent,
Central Jail, Coimbatore.

4. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.



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