



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 24-08-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N.RAMESH

CRL OP No. 23593 of 2026

B.Krishnakumar,
Son of Balamurugan,
No.110E, Chinnapan Street,
Leigh Bazaar, Aripalayam,
Salem District-636 009.

...Petitioner/A2

Vs

The State rep. by
The Inspector of Police
Pallapatty Police Station,
Salem District.
Crime No.179 of 2026.

...Respondent/Complainant

Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of the Bharatiya
Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS) 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in
Crime No.179 of 2026 on the file of the respondent.

For Petitioner(s): Mr. S. Senthamizhan

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

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on
08.04.2026 for the alleged offence under Sections 140(2), 310(2), 311, 115(2)
and 351(2) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), 2023, in Crime No.179 of 2026
on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.



2.The allegation against the petitioner is that on 21.07.2026, the petitioner, along with 11 other co-accused, forcibly pulled the defacto complainant into an autorickshaw, assaulted him, and snatched a sum of Rs.60,000/- from him at knifepoint while threatening him with dire consequences. Hence, the complaint.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner and the de facto complainant are known to each other, and a false case has been foisted against the petitioner due to a monetary dispute between them. He contended that the name of the petitioner does not figure in the First Information Report, and he has no previous criminal antecedents. He also submitted that the petitioner is ready to abide by any stringent conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prayed to grant bail to the petitioner.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the case of the prosecution that petitioner, along with the co-accused, forcibly pulled the defacto complainant into an autorickshaw, assaulted him, and snatched a sum of Rs.60,000/- at knifepoint. He submitted that while the petitioner has no previous cases pending against him and his name does not figure in the First Information Report, a sum of Rs.9,500/- has been recovered so far, and the investigation is still underway. Hence, he opposed for the grant of bail to the petitioner.

5.I have given my anxious consideration to either side submissions and perused the materials available on record.



6. Considering the above facts and circumstances of the case, taking into account the submissions made on both sides, and taking note of the fact that the petitioner is not named in the First Information Report and a portion of the snatched money has already been recovered, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his executing a bond for a sum of **Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand only)** with two sureties, for a like sum to the satisfaction of the **learned Judicial Magistrate No.II, Salem**, 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 petitioner shall report before the respondent Police everyday at 10:30 A.M., for a period of two weeks, and thereafter, as and when required for interrogation;

[c] the petitioner shall not abscond either during the investigation or during the trial;

[d] the petitioner shall not tamper with the evidence or witness either during the investigation or during the trial;

[e] On breach of any of the aforementioned conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to pass appropriate orders against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the



aforementioned conditions have been imposed and the petitioner were 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 petitioner thereafter abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of B.N.S.

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To

1. The Judicial Magistrate No.II, Salem.
- 2.The Superintendent of Police, Central Prison, Salem.
- 3.The Inspector of Police, Pallapatty Police Station, Salem District.
- 4.The Public Prosecutor, High Court of Madras.



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