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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

Dated : 03/06/2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P. DHANABAL

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1. Mansoor Ali @ Mohammad Manzoor

2. Shanuja @ Sanooja

3. Jeyasudha

... Petitioners/ Accused No.1 to 3

Vs

State of Tamilnadu Rep by,
The Inspector of Police,
Thiruvattar Police Station,
Thiruvattar - 629 177,
Kanniyakumari District.
Crime No.78 of 2026.

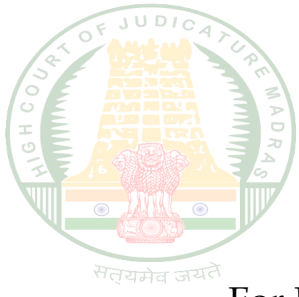
... Respondent/Complainant

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime no.78 of 2026 on the file of the
Respondent Police.

For Petitioners : M/s.Kumaravel.V.J,
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.N.Balasubramanian,



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Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

For Intervener : Mr.T.Hubertson

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ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioners, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent for the offences punishable under Sections 316(2), 318(4), 296(b), 351(2) of BNS r/w Section 4 of Tamil Nadu Prohibition of Charging Exorbitant Interest Act, 2003, in Crime No.78 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the defacto complainant approached the third petitioner, who is working in Indian Finance Ltd., Azhagiyamandapam, in order to pledging his jewels for his business needs. On 03.03.2024, at about 02.00 p.m, she also introduced the petitioners 1 & 2. On believing the words of the petitioners that they will give more money at a lower interest rate, he pledged his 289 grams of gold jewels and obtained Rs.14,70,000/-. Thereafter, he paid a sum of Rs.5,00,000/- on various dates. Thereafter, though the defacto complainant demanded to return his 50 grams of gold jewels, the



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petitioners returned only 24 grams of jewels and further demanded him to pay a sum of Rs.20 lakhs including the principal and interest. When the same was questioned by the defacto complainant, the petitioners abused the complainant in filthy language and threatened him with dire consequences. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioners would submit that the petitioners are innocent and they were falsely implicated in this case and they are no way connected in the above said incident. He would further submit that actually the petitioners returned 41 grams of gold jewels. The defacto complainant tried to get back rest of the jewels without paying the remaining amount with the help of the respondent police. Hence, he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) would submit that the petitioners herein cheated the defacto complainant by refusing to return back the gold jewels even after paying the loan amount with interest and demanded him to pay further amount and the investigation is still pending. Hence, he opposes to grant anticipatory bail to the



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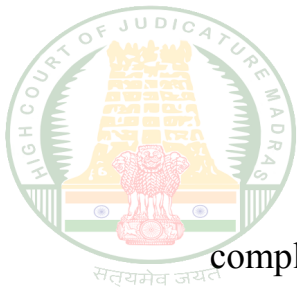
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5. The learned counsel for the Intervener would submit that even after the payment of Rs.23,53,034/-, the petitioners failed to release the remaining 197 grams of gold jewels valued at about Rs.29 lakhs. Though the petitioners issued a loan amount of Rs.14,70,000/-, they wrongfully exploited a total of Rs.52,53,034/- inclusive of the extracted funds and the unreleased gold jewels. Apart from that the petitioners 2 & 3 are still absconding and no remand has been done so far and the petitioners has previous cases. Hence, he strongly opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

6. Heard both sides and perused the materials available on record.

7. Considering the rival submissions on either side and the nature of offences charged against the petitioners, and there is a dispute between the parties in respect of pledging of jewels and according to the petitioners, the defacto complainant has to pay interest amount of Rs.3 lakhs and they are ready to return back the jewels of the defacto



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complainant and according to the defacto complainant, already he paid the entire amount and the same cannot be decided in the anticipatory bail petition, and it can be decided only through trial and though previous cases has been registered against the petitioners, those cases were registered only after filing of this case, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners, subject to the following conditions:

[a] Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before the learned **Judicial Magistrate No.II, Padmanabhapuram, Kanniyakumari District**, on condition that the petitioners shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) each with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Judicial Magistrate concerned and on further conditions that:

[b] the petitioners shall report before the respondent police, daily at 10.30 a.m until further orders.

[c] In the meantime, the petitioners shall keep the jewels under safe custody.

[d] the petitioners shall not commit any offences of similar nature.



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[e] the petitioners shall not abscond either during investigation or trial.

[f] the petitioners shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial.

[g] On breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Judicial Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioners in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the 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)AIR SCW 5560].

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

(P D B J)
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To

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- 2.The Inspector of Police,
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Thiruvattar - 629 177, Kanniyakumari District.
- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.



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