



CRL OP(MD). No.13585 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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Dated : 27/07/2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K. RAJASEKAR

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Chithambaram

... Petitioner/ Accused No.2

Vs

State of Tamilnadu Rep By,
The Inspector of Police,
Manapparai Police Station.
Trichy District
(Crime No.241 of 2026).

... Respondent/ Complainant

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.241 of 2026 on the file of the
Respondent Police.

For Petitioner : Ka. Ramakrishnan,
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.T.Lenin Kumar,
Counsel For State of TN (Crl.Side)

For Intervenor : B.Prasanna Vinoth
Advocate.

ORDER

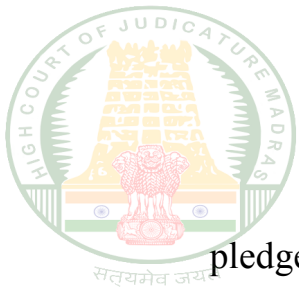


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The petitioner apprehends arrest for the alleged offence under Sections 318(4), 316(2), 296(b), 351(2) and 79 of BNS Act, 2023, in Crime No.241 of 2026, on the file of the respondent police seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner is ranked as A2. A1 made a promise to add the defacto complaint as a partner in a jewellery shop, and collected a sum of Rs.12,00,000/- by cash and also 30 of gold jewels by pledging. However, A1 has not added the defacto complainant as partner and subsequently, it was revealed that the A1 has handed over the gold jewels to the petitioner and hence, the petitioner is also added as an accused. Hence, the case has been registered.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent and he has not committed any such offence as alleged by the prosecution and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that, though it is stated that some of the jewels were pledged in the name of the petitioner, only 40 grams of gold jewels were



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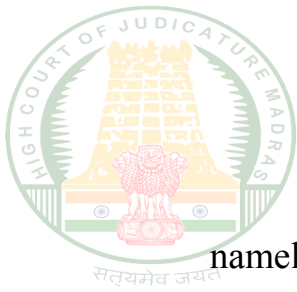
pledged in the petitioner's name. The remaining gold jewels are not known to him, and, so far, there is no criminality, as alleged, against the petitioner. Hence, he prayed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Counsel For State of TN (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police, reiterated the prosecution case, and on instructions, reported that during enquiry, the statements were recorded from the petitioner stated that the gold jewels are with him and it has been pledged and so far it has not been received. Hence, he opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. The learned counsel for the Intervenor submitted that both A1 and the petitioner colluded together. The defacto complainant handed over the jewels to A1. A1 in turn has pledged the same in the name of the petitioner herein. Since it has not been returned, he has also been added as an accused. Hence, he opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

6. I have gone through the FIR and also the connected materials.

7. It reveals that the majority of the allegation is only against A1,



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namely, Prem Kumar. The money as well as gold jewels were handed over to A1 only. During investigation it was revealed that A1 has handed over some jewels to the petitioner and now the receipt has also been produced by the defacto complaint to show that those jewels were also been pledged in some other bank, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions.

[a] Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before the learned **Judicial Magistrate, Manapparai Trichy District**, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Thousand only) with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Judicial Magistrate concerned and on further conditions that:

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police, daily at 10.30 a.m. for a period of two weeks, and thereafter as and when required for the interrogation.

[c] the petitioner shall not commit any offences of similar nature.

[d] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial.



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[e] the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial.

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

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

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To

- 1.The Judicial Magistrate, Manapparai, Trichy District.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
Manapparai Police Station. Trichy District
- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.

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