



CRL OP(MD). No.14081 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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Dated : 13/07/2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K. RAJASEKAR

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Ramachandran

... Petitioner/Sole Accused

Vs

State of Tamilnadu Rep by,
The Inspector of Police,
Thiruvengadam Police Station,
Tenkasi District,
Crime No.178/2026.

... Respondent/Complainant

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.178/2026 on the file of the
respondent police

For Petitioner : T.Indrachithu,
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.J.Vishnu,
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The petitioner apprehends arrest for the alleged offence under



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Section 303(2) of BNS Act, 2023, in Crime No.178 of 2026, on the file of the respondent police seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner herein involved in theft of trident from the Sri Meenakshi Chockalinga Swamy Temple worth about Rs.6,000/-. 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 the property was already recovered and the petitioner is ready to co-operate with the investigation. 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 the investigation is at preliminary stage and the petitioner has 1 previous case and the property was already recovered. However, he opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.



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

6. Considering the nature of allegations against the petitioner, and also considering the facts that though the petitioner has 1 previous case, the property was already recovered, 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 **Judicial Magistrate Court, Sankaranlovil, Tenkasi 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



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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.

[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 Court,
Sankaranlovil, Tenkasi District,
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
Thiruvengadam Police Station,
Tenkasi District.
- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.



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