

CRL OP(MD). No.14385 of 2026

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

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Dated : 15/07/2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K. RAJASEKAR

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... Petitioner/Sole Accused

Vs

State of Tamilnadu Rep by,
The Inspector of Police,
Kenikkarai, Police Station,
Ramanathapuram District.
(Crime No. 316 of 2026).

... Respondent/Complainnat

PRAYER :-

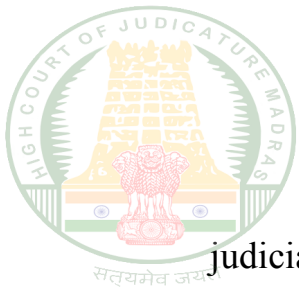
For Bail in Crime No. 316 of 2026 on the file of the
Respondent Police.

For Petitioner : Anand R.,
Advocate.

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

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner / Accused, who was arrested and remanded to



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judicial custody on 22.06.2026 for the offences punishable under Sections 8(c) r/w 20(b)(ii)(B) of NDPS Act, 1985, in Crime No.316 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner was found in possession of 7 kg of Ganja and he was arrested with contraband. Hence, the case has been registered.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is innocent and he was falsely implicated in this case and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He would further submit that since the petitioner is having some bad antecedent, he has been falsely implicated in this case. He would further submit that earlier he was granted bail in connection with SC.No.203 of 2025 on the file of the Additional District Judge, Pudukottai, and after complying with the condition when he was going out, he was forcibly taken by the police officers from the court premises, and to that effect, video clippings are also available and he is ready to face the trial process and the quantity involved in the case is not a commercial quantity and he



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is in custody from 22.06.2026. Hence, he prayed bail for the petitioner.

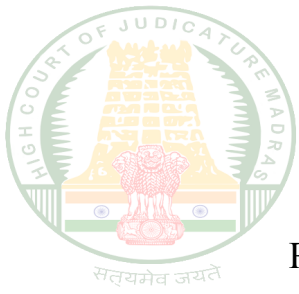
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4. The learned Counsel appearing for the State reiterated the prosecution case and reported that the petitioner was arrested with contraband and he is having 16 previous cases including 1 case in similar nature and the investigation in this case is still pending. Hence, he opposed the grant of bail to the petitioner.

5. This Court heard both sides and perused the materials available on records.

6. Considering the rival submissions made by the learned counsel on either side and also considering the facts that though the prosecution stated that the petitioner has some previous cases, the quantity involved in this case is not a commercial quantity and the period of incarceration undergone by the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner subject to the following conditions:

[a] Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on condition to execute a bond for a sum of



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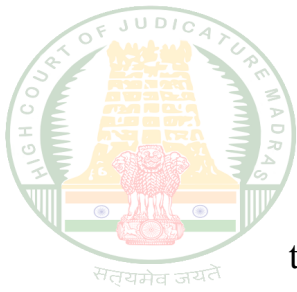
Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand only) with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned **Additional District and Sessions Judge/Presiding Officer Special Court for E.C and NDPS Act Cases, Pudukottai,** and on further conditions that:

[b] the petitioner shall report before the **Additional District and Sessions Judge/Presiding Officer Special Court for E.C and NDPS Act Cases, Pudukottai,** daily at **10.30 a.m., for a period of 3 weeks and thereafter, as and when required for interrogation.**

[c] the petitioner shall not commit any offence similar to the offence of which he/she is accused, or suspected, or of the commission of which he/she is suspected;

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

[e] the petitioner shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade her from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer or tamper with



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the evidence;

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[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 BNS.

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To

- 1.The Additional District and Sessions Judge/Presiding Officer Special Court for E.C and NDPS Act Cases, Pudukottai.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
Kenikkarai, Police Station, Ramanathapuram District.
3. The Superintendent, District Prison, Ramanathapuram.
- 4.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.

ORDER
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