

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K.ABRAHAM MATHEW

FRIDAY, THE 7TH DAY OF AUGUST 2015/16TH SRAVANA, 1937

Bail Appl..No. 4315 of 2015 ()

CRIME NO. 297/2015 OF VIDYANAGAR POLICE STATION, KASARAGOD DISTRICT

PETITIONER/ACCUSED :

**PRAVIRAJ
AGED 32 YEARS, S/O.NARAYANA,
RESIDING AT THOUNDIPADY
EDANEER P.O., PADY VILLAGE,
KASARAGOD TALUK.**

**BY ADVS.SRI.T.K.VIPINDAS
SRI.K.V.SREEVINAYAKAN
SRI.K.M.MUHAMMED HUSSAIN**

RESPONDENT/COMPLAINANT :

**STATE OF KERALA
REPRESENTED BY PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT OF KERALA, ERNAKULAM
REPRESENTING THE SUB INSPECTOR OF POLICE
VIDYANAGAR POLICE STATION, KASARAGOD DISTRICT.**

BY PUBLIC PROSECUTOR SRI. GIKKU JACOB

**THIS BAIL APPLICATION HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 07-08-2015,
THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY PASSED THE FOLLOWING:**

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K. ABRAHAM MATHEW, J.

B.A. No.4315 of 2015

Dated this the 7th day of August 2015

O R D E R

Petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C.

2. Petitioner is accused in Crime No.297 of 2015 of Vidyanagar Police station registered for the offences under Sec.354 of the Indian Penal Code and Sec.9(m)(p) read with Sec.10 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act. The prosecution case is that he sexually abused a 9 year old girl.

3. Heard both sides.

4. Learned counsel submits that as the petitioner has been in custody since 08.07.2015, he may be granted bail.

5. The victim was only 9 years old. What he has done is narrated in the statement of the witnesses. He is a 38 year old man. If the petitioner is released on bail merely because he has been in custody for one month, there is every likelihood of his intimidating or influencing the witnesses. It is not at all in public interest to release the petitioner on bail at this stage.

In the result, the bail application is dismissed.

Sd/-
K. ABRAHAM MATHEW
JUDGE