

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE A.HARIPRASAD

THURSDAY, THE 17TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2015/26TH BHADRA, 1937

Bail Appl..No. 5498 of 2015

CRIME NO. 775/2015 OF VADAKKEKAD POLICE STATION, TRISSUR

PETITIONER(S)/ACCUSED:

**RIYAS K.M. AGED 26 YEARS,
S/O.MUHAMMED ALI, KUNNAMBATH HOUSE,
PUNNAYOOR P.O,
THRISSUR DISTRICT.**

BY ADV. SRI.M.PREMCHAND

RESPONDENT(S)/COMPLAINANT:

**STATE OF KERALA,
REPRESENTED BY PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
HIGH COURT OF KERALA.**

BY PUBLIC PROSECUTOR SMT.R.REMA

**THIS BAIL APPLICATION HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 17-09-2015,
THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY PASSED THE FOLLOWING:**

PJ

A.HARIPRASAD, J.

B.A. No.5498 of 2015

Dated this the 17th day of September, 2015

ORDER

Petition under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

2. Petitioner is the accused in Crime No. 775 of 2015 of Vadakkekka Police Station registered for offences punishable under Section 379 of the Indian Penal Code and Sections 20 and 23 of the Kerala Protection of River Banks and Regulation of Removal of Sand Act, 2001.

3. Allegation against the petitioner is that on 05.08.2015 at about 5.30 p.m., he was found transporting river sand illegally without a valid permit. Petitioner pleaded innocence.

4. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Public Prosecutor.

5. The offences alleged against the petitioner have a direct bearing on the ecological balance and economic interest

of this Country. Therefore, I am of the view that the petitioner is not entitled to plead for pre-arrest bail under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure. He shall surrender before the Investigating Officer within two weeks from today and submit himself for interrogation. The Investigating Officer shall produce him before the learned Magistrate having jurisdiction on the date of surrender itself. Thereafter, the petitioner is free to move for regular bail before the learned Magistrate. In that event, the learned Magistrate shall consider the application as expeditiously as possible on merits.

**Sd/-
A.HARIPRASAD,
JUDGE.**

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P.A to Judge

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