



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT
(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Friday, the Twenty Second day of July Two Thousand Sixteen

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Ms.Justice V.M.VELUMANI

CRL OP(MD) No.12514 of 2016

1 THANGADURAI
2 SUNDAR RAJ

... PETITIONERS / ACCUSED 3 & 4

Vs

THE STATE
BY THE FOREST RANGE OFFICER,
KADAYANALLUR DIVISION,
TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT.
(SWOR NO.2 OF 2016)

... RESPONDENT / COMPLAINANT

For Petitioner : M/S D.VENKATESH Advocate

For Respondent : Mr.P.Kannithevan Govt. Advocate (Crl. Side)

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec. 438 Cr.P.C.

ORDER : The Court Made the following order :-

The petitioners, who are arrayed as Accused Nos.3 & 4, apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offences punishable under Sections 36(A) and 41(1) of Chapter V of the Tamil Nadu Forest Act, 1882 in SWOR No.2 of 2016, on the file of the respondent police and hence, seek anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that on 15.07.2016, an Auto bearing Registration No.TN-76-D-1224 driven by A.1 was inspected and found that 8 pieces of sandal wood in a gunny bag. The petitioners ran away from the place of occurrence and A.1 was arrested and on complaint, a case has been registered against the petitioners.

3.The case of the petitioners is that the petitioners are innocent and they have not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) submitted that the petitioners involved in smuggling sandal wood and the investigation is pending to find out the persons involved in the smuggling and if anticipatory bail is granted to the petitioners, they will tamper the witnesses.



5. Considering the fact that the petitioners are smuggling sandal woods and to find out the fact that who are all involved in the case, the custodial interrogation of the petitioners are necessary, this Court is not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners and this Criminal Original Petition is dismissed.

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Sub-Assistant Registrar (C.S.)
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai - 625 023.

TO

- 1 THE FOREST RANGE OFFICER,
KADAYANALLUR DIVISION,
TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT.
- 2 THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT, MADURAI.

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