



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

Thursday, the Eleventh day of January Two Thousand Eighteen

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice R.PONGIAPPAN

CRL OP (MD) No.494 of 2018

CHITHAMBARAM

... PETITIONER/SOLE ACCUSED

Vs

STATE REP.BY,
THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
VATHALAI POLICE STATION,
IN CRIME NO.4/2018,
TRICHY DISTRICT

... RESPONDENT/COMPLAINANT

For Petitioner : M/S.M.SUBASH BABU, Advocate

For Respondent : M/S.S.BHARATHI, Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

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

ORDER : The Court Made the following order :-

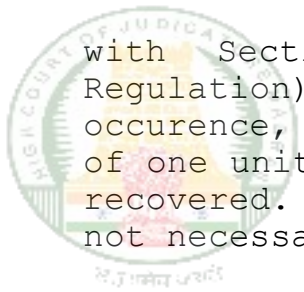
The petitioner/sole accused, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offence punishable under Section 379 IPC read with Section 21(1) of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 in Crime No.4 of 2018 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner transported one unit of river sand without obtaining any valid permission from the appropriate authority. Hence, the present case is registered against the petitioner.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is no way connected with the alleged offence and pleads for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) submitted that the petitioner transported one unit of river sand by using bullock cart. She further submitted that the investigation is still pending.

5.The submissions made by the learned counsel appearing on either side are considered. This case has been registered against the petitioner for the alleged offence under Section 379 IPC read



with Section 21(1) of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957. It is alleged that during the time of occurrence, the petitioner committed theft of river sand to the tune of one unit by using bullock cart. Now, the stolen property has been recovered. Accordingly, custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not necessary for completing the investigation.

6. Taking note of all the abovesaid aspects into consideration and having regard to the nature of offence, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, with certain conditions. 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 of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned Judicial Magistrate, Musiri, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the respondent Police or to the Police Officer, who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned and on further condition that:

(i) the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., for a period of three weeks and thereafter, as and when required for interrogation;

(ii) the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

(iii) the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

(iv) on breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the anticipatory bail granted to the petitioner shall stand automatically cancelled and the learned 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 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]**.

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



TO

1 THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, MUSIRI.

2 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, TRICHY DISTRICT.

3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
VATHALAI POLICE STATION, TRICHY DISTRICT.

4 THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT,
MADURAI.

+1. CC to M/S.M.SUBASH BABU Advocate SR.No.658

ORDER

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