



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

Thursday, the Nineteenth day of April Two Thousand Eighteen

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PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice G.R.SWAMINATHAN

CRL OP(MD) No.6345 of 2018

SANJEEVI ASOKAN

... PETITIONER / ACCUSED-7

Vs

THE STATE REPRESENTED BY ITS
THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
CHENNAI IDOL WING,
VEERAVANALLUR POLICE STATION,
CR.NO.12/1995

... RESPONDENT / COMPLAINANT

For Petitioner : MR.G.SUDHAGAR Advocate

For Respondent : Mr.CHELLAPANDIAN,
Additional Advocate General assisted by
Mr.A.P.G.OHM CHAIRMA PRABHU
Govt. Advocate (Crl. Side)

PETITION FOR BAIL Under Sec. 439 Cr.P.C.

ORDER : The Court Made the following order :-

The petitioner was arrested on 08.03.2018 in Crime No.12 of 1995 for offences under Sections 457, 380, 414 r/w 120 (b) of Indian Penal Code.

2.The case against the petitioner pertains to idol theft. The prosecution submits that the idol of Duwarabalagar, installed in Athalanallur Moondreeswara Mudaiyar Temple was stolen on 27.12.1994 and later sold to artificial dealers and the said idol is presently in Ganbera Art Galary in Australia.

3.The learned Additional Advocate General appearing for the prosecution would submit that out of ten accused one accused has passed away and only seven have been apprehended sofar. Two more accused are yet to be arrested. Investigation is still pending. The learned Additional Advocate General would further point out that the petitioner is accused in three other idol theft cases. A specific contention has been made that if the bail is granted, he may flee from the arm of justice and also indulge in similar offences.



4. Finding considerable force in the objection raised by the learned Additional Advocate General this Court dismiss the Bail Petition.

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

TO

- 1 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
CHENNAI IDOL WING,
VEERAVANALLUR POLICE STATION,
- 2 THE SUPERINTENDENT,
CENTRAL PRISON, TRICHY
- 3 THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT,
MADURAI

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