



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

Monday, the Sixteenth day of July Two Thousand Eighteen

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mrs.Justice R.THARANI

CRL MP (MD) No.5404 of 2018

IN

CRL A (MD) No.309 of 2018

M.MURUGESWARAN

... PETITIONER/ ACCUSED (SINGLE)

Vs

STATE REP.BY

THE DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE,
VIGILANCE AND ANTI-CORRUPTION,
VIRUDHUNAGAR.

CRIME NO.6/2008

... RESPONDENT/ COMPLAINANT

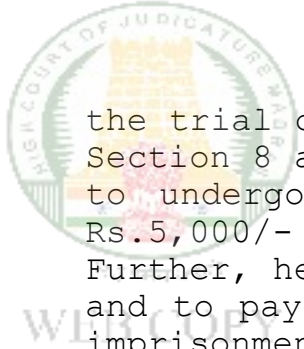
Petition praying that in the circumstances stated therein and in the petition filed therewith the High Court may be pleased to enlarge the petitioner on bail by suspending the sentence imposed by the by the Special Court for trying the cases under the Prevention of Corruption Act cum Chief Judicial Magistrate, Virudhunagar District at Srivilliputhur in Special C.C.No.37/2014 vide his Judgement dated 26/06/2018 pending the disposal of the above Crl.A.

Order : This petition coming on for orders upon perusing the petition filed in support thereof and upon hearing the arguments of Mr.R.ANAND, Advocate for the petitioner and of Mr.M.CHANDRASEKARAN, Additional Public Prosecutor on behalf of the Respondent, the court made the following order:-

This petition has been filed against the conviction and sentence imposed by the learned Special Court for trying the cases under the Prevention of Corruption Act Cum Chief Judicial Magistrate, Virudhunagar District at Srivilliputhur in Special C.C.No.37 of 2014, dated 26.06.2018.

2.Heard Mr.R.Anand, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and Mr.M.Chandrasekaran, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent.

3.The petitioner is not a Government Servant. The case against the petitioner is that the petitioner was found in possession of Rs.2,700/-., for bribing some Government Servants, who are working in the Motor Vehicle Inspector's Office at Sivakasi for getting NLR license and renewal of license etc. After completion of the trial,



the trial court has found the petitioner guilty of the offence under Section 8 and 9 of Prevention of Corruption Act and he was sentenced to undergo one year rigorous imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs.5,000/- in default to undergo three months simple imprisonment. Further, he was sentenced to undergo one year Rigorous Imprisonment and to pay a fine amount Rs.5,000/- in default three months simple imprisonment

4.As against the order, the petitioner has filed this Criminal Appeal before this Court and filed a petition for suspension of sentence till the disposal of the Criminal Appeal.

5.On the side of the petitioner, it is stated that the petitioner is not a Public Servant or a tout and he is running a private driving school under Section 27 Motor Vehicles Act., he is entitled to enter the premises of the Motor vehicle's Inspector Office and the amount was kept for paying license fees for the students of the driving school.

6.On the side of the respondent, it is stated that the petitioner is only a broker and this is a trap case. The petitioner was found in possession of the amount for paying a sum of Rs.2,700/- as illegal gratification for the officials, who work in the Motor Vehicle Office at the time. As per Circular No.174 and as per Rule No.430, touts are not permitted to enter the Motor Vehicle Inspector Office. The prosecution examined 24 witnesses and 33 Exhibits, three M.O.s were marked and prayed to dismiss the petition.

7.Records perused. The trial court has suspended the sentence till 25.07.2018. Whether the appellant is a tout or a genuine person can be decided only at the time of disposal of the appeal. It is stated that there are considerable points for appreciating the appeal. Hence, this Court is inclined to grant suspension of sentence till the disposal of the appeal.

8.This Court is inclined to grant suspension of sentence till the disposal of the appeal, on his executing a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand only) with two sureties, of whom, one should be a blood relative, each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Srivilliputhur., and on further condition that:

(i) the sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the surety bond and the learned Trial Judge may obtain a copy of their Aadhar Card or Bank Pass Book to ensure their identity.

(ii) the petitioner shall appear before the Trial Court on the first working day of every English calendar month at 10.30 a.m., until the disposal of the appeal and if he is not able to appear



before the Trial Court on any day, he shall make arrangements to file an application under Section 317 Cr.P.C., and shall appear before the Trial Court on any other day in lieu of the date of his absence, as directed by the Trial Court.

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9. The petitioner must co-operate with the court for speedy disposal of the case.

10. Post this matter on 30.07.2018.

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

TO

1. THE SPECIAL JUDGE FOR TRYING THE CASES UNDER
THE PREVENTION OF CORRUPTION ACT CUM
CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
VIRUDHUNAGAR DISTRICT AT SRIVILLIPUTHUR.
 2. THE DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE,
VIGILANCE AND ANTI-CORRUPTION,
VIRUDHUNAGAR.
 3. THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT, MADURAI.
- +1. C.C. to Mr.R.ANAND Advocate SR.No.13151

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