



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

Tuesday, the Twenty Eighth day of August Two Thousand Eighteen

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PRESENT

THE HON`BLE MR.JUSTICE G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN

CRL OP (MD) No.14829 of 2018

SAMINATHAN,

... PETITIONER/ ACCUSED NO.1

Vs

STATE REP BY
THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE
SANKARANKOVIL TALUK POLICE STATION,
TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT.
(CRIME.NO.157/2018)

... RESPONDENT/COMPLAINANT

For Petitioner : M/S.G.THALAIMUTHARASU Advocate

For Respondent : MRS.M.ANANTHA DEVI, Govt. Advocate (Crl. Side)

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

ORDER : The Court Made the following order :-

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offence punishable under Section 379 I.P.C. in Crime No.157 of 2018, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that on 16.08.2018, the petitioner has transported the sand by using lorries bearing Registration Nos.TN-47-P-1057and TN-23-AC-556, illegally, without valid permission. Hence, a case has been registered.

3.Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner.

4.The learned Government Advocate(Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent submitted that the quantity of sand involved is seven unit and the same was recovered and there is no previous case is pending against the petitioner. He further submitted that the investigation is pending.

5.In view of the rehabilitation undertaken under the Tamil Nadu District Mineral Foundation Rules, 2017, and in order to curb the illegal sand mining activities, this Court is of the opinion that the petitioner is directed to deposit a sum of Rs.35,000/- (Rupees thirty five thousand only) as non refundable deposit to the credit of the concerned District Mineral Foundation Trust, without prejudice to



his rights and contentions before the trial Court.

6. Merely, because the petitioner has deposited the said amount, it would not amount to admission of his guilt. Therefore, it is open to the trial Court to deal with the case independently.

7. Taking note of the facts and circumstances, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions. Accordingly, the petitioner shall deposit a sum of Rs.35,000/- (Rupees thirty five thousand only) as non refundable deposit to the credit of the concerned District Mineral Foundation Trust and on such deposit he is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance before the learned Judicial Magistrate, Sankarankovil and on his executing a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned and on further condition that the petitioner shall appear before the respondent police as and when required for interrogation. The petitioner shall comply with the conditions stipulated under Section 438 Cr.P.C. scrupulously.

8. The petitioner shall appear before the concerned Magistrate within a period of 15 days from the date on which the order copy made ready, failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed.

sd/-
28/08/2018

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

TO

- 1 THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, SANKARANKOVIL.
- 2 DO THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, TIRUNELVELI.
- 3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE
SANKARANKOVIL TALUK POLICE STATION, TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT.
- 4 THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT, MADURAI

COPY TO: THE OFFICER INCHARGE,
THE DISTRICT MINERAL FOUNDATION TRUST, TIRUNELVELI

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Date : 28/08/2018