



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

Tuesday, the Twenty Third day of April Two Thousand Nineteen

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice M.DHANDAPANI

CRL OP(MD) No.5833 of 2019

1 MANJU
2 NIRMALKUMAR

... PETITIONERS / ACCUSED
No.4 and 5

Vs

THE STATE REP.BY
THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
ALL WOMEN POLICE STATION,
THOOTHUKUDI DISTRICT
Crime No.10/2019

... RESPONDENT / COMPLAINANT

For Petitioners : Mr.V.SELVA Advocate

For Respondent : Mr.S.CHANDRASEKAR, Additional Public Prosecutor

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

ORDER : The Court Made the following order :-

The petitioners, who were arrested and remanded to judicial custody since 11.03.2019 and 13.03.2019 for the offences punishable under Sections 9,10,11 of Child Marriage Restraint Act 2006 and Section 6 of POCSO Act, 2012 in Crime No.10 of 2019, on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The petitioners herein are the mediators. The case of the prosecution is that the marriage between A1 and the victim was arranged by the consent of both the parents. However, the same was informed to the Social Welfare Officer, thereafter the Social Welfare Officer registered a complaint before the respondent police. Thereafter the victim girl was secured and sent to home.

3.The learned for the petitioners would submit that the petitioners are mediators and they have not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He would also submit that petitioners are innocent persons. Accordingly, he prayed for bail.

4.The learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the state would submit that investigation is pending. He would also submit that co- accused in this case was granted anticipatory bail.



5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and considering the period of incarceration and also considering the fact that co-accused was released on bail, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioners.

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6. Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail on their executing a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only) each with two sureties, of whom, one should be a blood related surety, each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Sessions Judge, Mahila Court, Thoothukudi and on further condition that:

(a) the sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the surety bond and the concerned Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity;

(b) the petitioners shall report before the respondent police daily as and when required for interrogation;

(c) the petitioners shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

(d) the petitioners shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

(e) on breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Magistrate/ Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioners in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioners released on bail by the learned 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]; and;

(f) if the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229-A IPC;

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



TO

1. THE SESSIONS JUDGE,
MAHILA COURT, THOOTHUKUDI.

2. THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
ALL WOMEN POLICE STATION,
THOOTHUKUDI DISTRICT

3. THE SUPERINTENDENT,
CENTRAL JAIL, PALAYAMKOTTAI,
TIRUNELVELI,

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

+1. CC to Mr.V.SELVA Advocate SR.No.7039

ORDER

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