

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 04.02.2020

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE Mr.JUSTICE P.RAJAMANICKAM

CRL.O.P.No.2182 of 2020

Ravi

...Petitioner/Owner of the Vehicle

Vs.

The State rep by
The Inspector of Police,
Otteri Police Station,
Kancheepuram District.
(Crime No.358 of 2019)

...Respondent/Complainant

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of Cr.P.C, to modify the condition imposed in order passed by the Learned Principal District and Sessions Judge of Kancheepuram District at Chengalpattu on 10.01.2020 in CrI.M.P.No.7183 of 2019, a bond for sum of Rs.1,00,000/- instead of the condition that the petitioner has to deposit a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- as cash deposit.

For Petitioner : Mr.D.Magesh

For Respondent : Mr.M.Mohamed Riyaz,
Additional Public Prosecutor

O R D E R

This petition has been filed to modify the condition imposed in the order passed by the Learned Principal District and Sessions Judge of Kancheepuram District at Chengalpattu on 10.01.2020 in CrI.M.P.No.7183 of 2019, directing the petitioner to deposit a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- to the Jurisdictional Tahsildar to the credit of the District Mines and Minerals Foundation Trust as Non-refundable deposit.

2. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the petitioner's TATA Motors Ltd Tipper lorry bearing Registration No.TN 22 A 7610 was seized by the respondent police for the alleged offence under Sections 430, 379 IPC r/w 21(1)

of MM Act 1957 and produced before the Judicial Magistrate No.II, Chengalpattu. He further submitted that in order to get interim custody of the said vehicle, the petitioner has filed Crl.M.P.No.7183 of 2019 on the file of the Principal District and Sessions Judge, Kancheepuram at Chengalpattu. He further submitted that the learned Principal District and Sessions Judge by the order dated 10.01.2020 has allowed the said petition by imposing certain conditions; one such condition is (Condition No.2) that the petitioner shall deposit a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- to the credit of the District Mines and Minerals Foundation Trust as Non-refundable deposit. He further submitted that the said vehicle is a small lorry and further before the trying the case, it would not be proper to direct the petitioner to deposit such a huge amount as non-reufndable deposit and therefore he requests to modify the said condition.

4. Per contra, the learned Additional Public Prosecutor has submitted that since the petitioner's vehicle was used for transporting sand illegally, the said vehicle was seized. Considerng the same, the learned Principal Sessions Judge has passed the aforesaid order and in the said order, this Court need not interfere.

5. Admittedly, the case is at the investigation stage. The petitioner is seeking only interim custody of the vehicle and under the said circumstances, this Court is of the view that the aforesaid condition is onerous one and hence the said condition requires modification.

6. In the result, this Criminal Original petition is allowed. The aforesaid condition No.2 imposed in the order passed in Crl.M.P. No.7183 of 2019 by the Principal District and Sessions Judge, Kancheepuram at Chengalpattu is modified to the effect that the petitioner shall deposit a sum of Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand only) before the Judicial Magistrate No.II, Chengalpattu in Crime No.352 of 2019 as security.

s/d-

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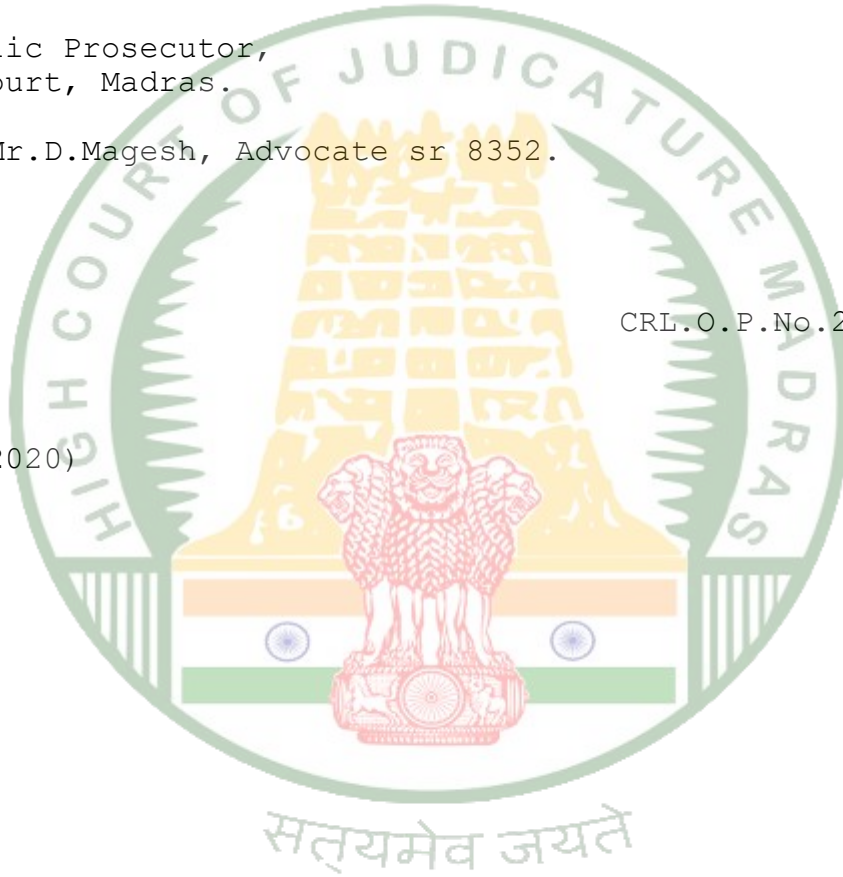
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To

- 1.The Principal District and Sessions Court,
Kancheepuram at Chengalpattu.
 2. The Judicial Magistrate No.II
Chengalpattu.
 3. The Inspector of Police,
Otteri Police Station,
Kancheepuram District.
 - 4.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.
- +1 Cc to Mr.D.Magesh, Advocate sr 8352.

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