

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 12.06.2020

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE. **M. NIRMAL KUMAR**

Crl. O.P. No.8553 of 2020

Nagarajan (M/27)
S/o. Mohan

... Petitioner

Vs.

The State Rep. by,
The Inspector of Police,
The Prohibition Enforcement Wing,
Tiruvallur Police Station,
Thiruvallur.
(Crime No.241/2020)

... Respondent

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 439 Cr.P.C, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Crime No.241 of 2020 pending on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner. :

Mr. M. Rajavelu

For Respondent:

Mr. S. Karthikeyan,

Additional Public Prosecutor

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ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on **22.05.2020** for the offence punishable under Sections **4(1)(a), 4(1)(b) and 4(1-A) of the Tamil Nadu Prohibition Act in Crime No.241 of 2020**, on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner was found in possession of 10 litres of illicit arrack containing ingredients of poisonous substance. Hence the complaint was registered.

3. The learned Counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He would further submit that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case and there is no bad antecedent against them. Further he would submit that the petitioner is in judicial custody from 22.05.2020 and hence, he seeks bail for the petitioner.

4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor (Crl. Side) would submit that the petitioner was in possession of 10 litres of illicit arrack illegally brewed.

He admits that he has one previous case against the petitioner. He opposed for grant of bail to the petitioner.

5. Taking into consideration the nature of allegations against the petitioner in the FIR and also taking note of the fact that the petitioner is in judicial custody from 22.05.2020, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner, subject to the following conditions:-

- (a) the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on executing his own bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) before the Superintendent of the concerned prison, in which the petitioner has been confined on their release;
- (b) the petitioner shall execute two sureties for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand only) each, before the concerned Magistrate within a period of 15 days from the date of lifting of lockdown and commencement of regular functioning of Court below, failing which the bail granted by this Court shall stand dismissed automatically;
- (c) the sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the surety bond and the learned Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar Card or Bank Pass Book to ensure their identity;
- (d) the petitioner shall report before the Respondent Police as and when required for interrogation;

- (e) the petitioner shall not commit any offences of similar nature;
- (f) the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;
- (g) the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;
- (h) On breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Judicial Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioner 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
- (i) if the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229A IPC.

6. With the above directions, this Criminal Original Petition is ordered.

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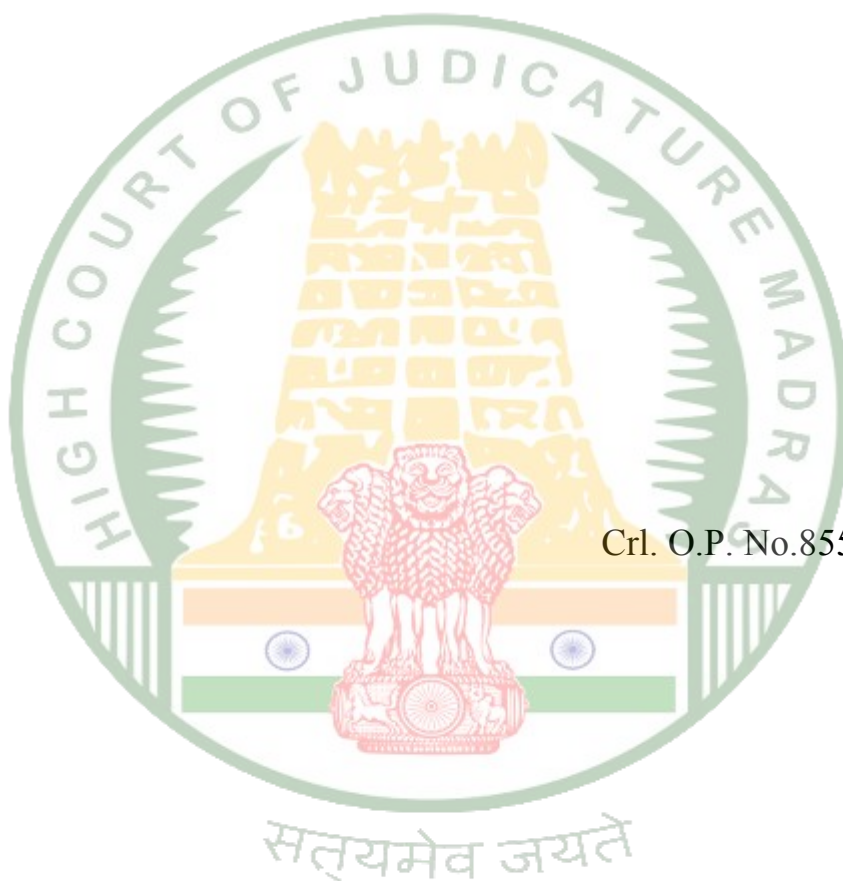
1. The Judicial Magistrate No.I,
Tiruvallur.
2. The Inspector of Police,
The Prohibition Enforcement Wing,
Tiruvallur Police Station,
Thiruvallur.
3. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.
4. The Superintendent,
Central Prison, Puzhal,
Chennai.



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