

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

Dated : 18.09.2020

CORAM :

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA

CRL.O.P.No.14225 of 2020

S.Sakthivel

... Petitioner

Vs.

State rep. by  
The Inspector of Police  
Harur Police Station  
Dharmapuri District  
(Crime No.1317 of 2020)

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 439 of Criminal Procedure Code to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Crime No.1317 of 2020 pending on the file of the Respondent Police.

For Petitioner : Mr.J.Pradeep

For Respondent : Mr.T.Shunmugarajeswaran  
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)

O R D E R

(The case has been heard through video conference)

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 29.07.2020 for the offences punishable under Section 8 (c) read with Section 20(b)(ii)(B) of NDPS Act, in Crime No.1317 of 2020, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution as per the defacto complainant, the Sub Inspector of Police attached to the respondent police is that on information when they made a search, they found the petitioner along with other accused were found in possession of 1.1 Kg (1100 grams) of Ganja. Hence the complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is innocent and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He would further submit that the petitioner is in custody from 29.07.2020 and he has no previous case to his credit.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) would vehemently oppose stating that the petitioner along with other accused were found to be in possession of 1.1 Kg (1100 grams) of Ganja.He would further submit that the petitioner was arrested on 29.07.2020 and he has no previous case.

5. Taking into consideration of the facts and circumstances and also considering the submissions made by the learned counsels and also considering the period of incarceration, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner subject to the following conditions:

(a) Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on condition to execute his own bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand only) before the Superintendent of the concerned prison, in which the petitioners have been confined;

(b) the petitioner shall **within a period of two weeks from the date of the commencement of the Court's normal functioning, execute two sureties for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand only) each, before the learned Special Judge for EC Act Cases, Salem, 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 on his release from prison shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. until further orders.**

(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];

(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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18/09/2020

This order, on being produced, be punctually observed and carried into execution by all concerned

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Sub-Assistant Registrar (Statistics/C.S.)  
High Court, Madras - 600 104.

TO

1 THE SPECIAL JUDGE FOR EC ACT CASES,  
SALEM

2 THE SUPERINTENDENT,  
CENTRAL PRISON, SALEM

3 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR  
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

4 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,  
HARUR POLICE STATION,  
DHARMAPURI DISTRICT

CC to M/S.J.PRADEEP Advocate on payment of necessary charges

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Date :18/09/2020

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