

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 15.09.2020

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA

Cr1.O.P.No.14310 of 2020

S.Karthik

S/o. Shankar

... Petitioner

vs.

State rep. By

The Inspector of Police,
Arcot Town Police Station,
Vellore District.

Crime No.48/2020.

...Respondent

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. to grant Anticipatory bail to the petitioner in the event of his arrest in Crime No.48 of 2020 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.J.Prakasam

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

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(The case has been heard through video conference)

The petitioner who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 457 & 380 of IPC in Crime No.48 of 2020 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution as per the defacto complainant is that on 26.01.2020, the accused committed theft of 2 ½ sovereigns of jewelleries and Rs.5,000/- from his house. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned Counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He would further submit that A1 was already arrested in this case and the property has been recovered from him and based on the confession of A1, the petitioner has been falsely implicated

in this case. He would further submit that the petitioner completed the course of ITI and he is searching for employment. Hence, he prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor submitted that the accused committed theft of gold jewels and cash from the house of the defacto complainant. He would further submit that A1 was arrested and the jewels have been recovered from A1. He would further submit that there is no previous case as against the petitioner. However, he opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Taking into consideration the facts and submissions of the learned Counsel and also the fact that A1 was arrested and jewels have been recovered from him and only based on the confession statement of A1 he has been implicated in this case, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner subject to the following conditions;

6. Accordingly, the petitioner directed to be released on bail in the event of his arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen after lifting of lockdown or the commencement of the Court's normal functioning whichever is earlier, before the learned District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Arcot, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) with two sureties, for a like sum to the satisfaction of the respondent police or the police officer who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned, failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed and on further condition that:

[a] the petitioner and the sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the surety bond and the Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity.

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police every day at 10.30 a.m., until further orders.

[c] the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial.

[d] the petitioner 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 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].

[f] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229A IPC.

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

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15/09/2020

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 DISTRICT MUNSIF CUM
JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, ARCOT

2 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
ARCOT TOWN POLICE STATION,
VELLORE DISTRICT.

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

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