

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 13.10.2020

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE A. D. JAGADISH CHANDIRA

CrI.O.P.No.16209 of 2020

Srinivasan

... Petitioner

Vs.

State Rep. By

The Sub Inspector of Police,
Konganapuram Police Station,
Salem.

(Cr.No.129 of 2020) ... Respondent

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 438 of Cr.P.C., to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of his arrest in Connection with the Crime No.129 of 2020 pending on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : M/s.Karan and Uday

For Respondent : Mr.M.Mohamed Riyaz,

Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

(This case has been heard through video conference)

The petitioner who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offences punishable under Section Women Missing altered to Women Missing r/w. 366 of IPC, in Crime No.129 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 the defacto complainant's wife viz., Rashya was found missing from 25.09.2020. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is an innocent person and he is a social worker. He would further submit that the defacto complainant has suspected that there was relationship between his wife and the petitioner and therefore, a false case has been given. He would further submit that the petitioner is no way connected with the defacto

complainant's wife. Hence, he prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor would submit that the defacto complainant's wife viz., Rashiya is found missing from 25.09.2020. During the course of investigation, it came to light that the lady had contacted the petitioner through cell phone. Hence, he vehemently opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Taking into consideration the facts and submissions of the learned Counsel, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner subject to the following conditions;

6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen (15) days from the date on which the copy of the order is made ready, before the District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Edappadi, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) with two sureties, each 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 daily 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 abscond, 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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13/10/2020

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,
EDAPPADI.

2 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE
SALEM [FOR INFORMATION]

3 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

4 THE SUB-INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
KONGANANPURAM POLICE STATION,
SALEM DISTRICT.

CC to M/S.KARAN AND UDAY Advocate on payment of necessary charges

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Date :13/10/2020

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