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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 13/07/2020

PRESENT

The Hon'ble Mr.Justice V.BHARATHIDASAN

CRL OP(MD) . No.6972 of 2020

Mokkathai

... Petitioner/Accused No.3

Vs

The State Rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
Palanichettipatti Police Station,
Theni District,
Crime No. 943 of 2020.

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : M/s.C.Susikumar,
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.K.Suyambulinga Bharathi,
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.438 of Cr.P.C

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No. 943 of 2020 on the file of the respondent police

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner, who is arrayed as A3, apprehending arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under section 304-B of IPC, in Crime No.943 of 2020 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner is the mother of A1. The deceased was got married to A1. After marriage, the petitioner and her family members were said to have demanded additional dowry from the deceased. Due to which, the deceased is said to have committed suicide by set fire herself. Hence, the present complaint.



3. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent.

4. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and she has been falsely implicated in this case. He further submit that the petitioner is the mother of A1 and A1 was already arrested and released on bail by the Sessions Court, Theni. Hence, he seek anticipatory bail.

5. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent Police submitted that the petitioner being mother of A1. He further submitted that in 161(3) statements, it is clearly stated that the petitioner along with other accused demanded additional dowry from the deceased and hence, the deceased committed suicide.

6. Perused the materials available on record.

7. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and considering the materials available on record that there is no serious allegations against the petitioner, and A1 was already released on bail by the Sessions Court, Theni, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or her appearance, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned Judicial Magistrate, Theni on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty thousand only) with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the respondent Police or to the Police Officer, who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned 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 as and when required for interrogation.

(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 or the Judicial 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;

(f) if the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229-A IPC.

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Sub-Assistant Registrar (C.S.)
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai - 625 023.

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TO

1. THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, THENI.
2. -DO-THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
THENI DISTRICT.
3. THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
PALANICHETTIPATTI POLICE STATION,
THENI DISTRICT.
4. THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT,
MADURAI.

ORDER

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