



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 23/07/2020

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PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice V.BHARATHIDASAN

CRL OP (MD) . No.7656 of 2020

1. Thirukumaran,

2. Saravanan,

... Petitioners/Accused Nos.3 & 4

Vs

State Rep by
The Inspector of Police,
Pattukottai Prohibition
and Enforcement Wing,
Thanjavur District
Cr.No. 363 of 2020.

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioners: Mr.R.Venkateshwar,
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. 363 of 2020 on the file of the Respondent Police

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioners, who are arrayed as A3 and A4, apprehending arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under sections 4(1)(aaa), 4(1)(g) and 4(1-A) of Tamilnadu Prohibition Act, in Crime No.363 of 2020 on the file of the respondent police, seek anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioners were found in possession of 20 liters of illicit Arrack. Hence, a complaint has been registered.



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

4. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners have not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution and they have been falsely implicated in this case. The petitioners are not having any bad antecedent and hence, he prayed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

5. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent police submitted that there is no previous case pending against the petitioners in similar nature.

6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and considering the fact that there is no previous case pending against the petitioners in similar nature, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners with certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or their appearance, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned Judicial Magistrate, Pattukottai, on condition that the petitioners shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty thousand only) each 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 petitioners 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 petitioners shall report before the respondent police as and when required for interrogation.

(c) the petitioners shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

(d) the petitioners 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 petitioners in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioners 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



(f) if the accused/petitioners thereafter abscond, 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, Pattukottai.
2. Do Through
The Chief Judicial Magistrate,
Thanjavur at Kumbakonam.
3. The Inspector of Police,
Pattukottai Prohibition
and Enforcement Wing,
Thanjavur District.
4. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.

ORDER
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