



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 10/09/2020

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PRESENT

The Hon'ble Mr. Justice V. BHARATHIDASAN

CRL OP(MD). No.9562 of 2020

Muthukannan

... Petitioner/Accused No.9

Vs

The State rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
Vilathikulam Police Station,
Vilathikulam,
Thoothukudi District
Crime No. 232 of 2020.

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : M/s.T.Vadivelan,
Advocate.

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

PETITION FOR BAIL Under Sec.439 of Cr.P.C.

PRAYER :-

For Bail in Crime No. 232 of 2020 on the file of the Respondent Police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner/A9 herein was arrested and remanded to Judicial Custody on 25.08.2020 for the offences punishable under Section 379 of I.P.C. r/w 21(1) of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957.

2.The case of the prosecution is that A1, who is the kingpin in this case said to have illegally transported 8 units of river sand without any valid permission and the petitioner herein followed the vehicle in his two wheeler

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is innocent and he has been falsely implicated in the above case.

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the State would submit that the total quantity of sand involved is eight units and the same was recovered by the respondent police. He would also submit that no previous case is pending against the petitioner.

5. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case and also taking into consideration the fact that only A1 said to have transported river sand and the petitioner herein only followed the lorry in his two wheeler and also taking into consideration the period of incarceration and also taking into consideration the fact that no previous case is pending against the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner by imposing conditions.

6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his executing a bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Judicial Magistrate, Vilathikulam.

[a] the sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the surety bond and the Magistrate/concerned court 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 abscond either during investigation or trial.

[d] the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness 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.

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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,
VILATHIKULAM.
2. -DO- THROUGH: THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
THOOTHUKUDI DISTRICT.
3. THE OFFICER INCHARGE,
SUB JAIL,
KOVILPATTI.
4. THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
VILATHIKULAM POLICE STATION,
VILATHIKULAM,
THOOTHUKUDI DISTRICT.
5. THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT,
MADURAI.

ORDER
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