



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 05/10/2020

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PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN

CRL OP(MD). No.10154 of 2020

Thoppur Maharajan @ Thenkarai Maharajan

... Petitioner/Sole Accused

Vs

State rep.by
The Inspector of Police,
Tiruchendur Temple Police Station,
Tiruchendur,Thoothukudi District.
(In Crime No. 270/2020)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.M.P.Senthil, Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.R.Erottuchamy,
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

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

PRAYER :- For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No. 270/2020 on the file of the Respondent Police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner, who is the sole accused, apprehending arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under sections 294, 294(b), 153 A, and 505(i) of IPC and Sections 67 and 67(A) of Information Technology Act, 2000, in Crime No.270 of 2020 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner has posted some defamatory statements against one particular community in the social media. 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 he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution and he has been falsely



implicated in this case. Hence, he prayed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5.The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent Police submitted that the petitioner has posted some defamatory statements against one particular community in the social media. Hence, the crime has been registered.

6.Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the fact that there is no previous case pending against the petitioner, I am 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 his appearance, within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, before the Judicial Magistrate Court, Tiruchendur, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five thousand only) with one blood surety 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 daily at 10.30 a.m for a period of two weeks and thereafter, 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/ 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]; and;

(f)if the accused/petitioner 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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1. THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, TIRUCHENDUR.
 2. DO-THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
THOOTHUKUDI DISTRICT.
 3. THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
TIRUCHENDUR TEMPLE POLICE STATION,
TIRUCHENDUR, THOOTHUKUDI DISTRICT.
 4. THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT, MADURAI.

+1 CC to M/s.M.P.SENTHIL, Advocate (SR-6796[I] dated 06/10/2020)

ORDER
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