

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

Dated : 01.02.2021

CORAM :

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE P. VELMURUGAN

Cr1.O.P.No.1255 of 2021

1. Prakash
2. Arumugam

... Petitioners

Vs.

The State Rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
Pochampalli Police Station
Krishnagiri District.
(Crime No.624 of 2020)

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 438 of Criminal Procedure Code to enlarge the petitioners on bail in the event of their arrest in Crime No. 624 of 2020 pending investigation on the file of the Respondent.

For Petitioner : No appearance

For Respondent : Mr.S.Karthikeyan
Addl. Public Prosecutor

O R D E R

The criminal has been registered against the petitioner for an alleged offence under Sections 379 of I.P.C. for sand theft in Crime No.624 of 2020. Accordingly, the petitioner has filed this petition seeking to grant anticipatory bail.

2. No representation on behalf of petitioner.

3. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent submitted that the criminal case has been registered against the petitioners by the respondent police and they are arrayed as A1 and A2. He would submit that the petitioners are involved in the offence under Sec.379 of I.P.C. Hence, he has raised serious objection to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

4. This court, time and again, had passed stringent order that the cases under Mines and Minerals Act has to be viewed seriously and this Court shall prevent the exploitation of natural resources. Therefore, under these circumstances, considering the nature of offence, the investigation is still pending, the charge sheet has not

yet been filed, there is every possibility of committing similar offence and these people can spoil the natural resources like mines and minerals, which endangers the society. Therefore, in order to safeguard the natural resources and also the mines and minerals, this Court is not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, this Criminal Original petition is dismissed.

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01/02/2021

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 PRINCIPAL DISTRICT AND
SESSIONS JUDGE, KRISHNAGIRI.

2 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
POCHAMPALLI POLICE STATION,
KRISHNAGIRI
DIST.

CC to M/S.M.JAYACHANDRAN Advocate on payment of necessary
charges

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