

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 24.02.2021

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE V.BHARATHIDASAN

Cr1.O.P.No.3237 of 2021

1. Saraswathi ... Petitioners
2. Govindasamy
3. Kanniyappan
4. Govindammal@ Govindi
5. Munusamy
6. Chandra

Vs.

State by ...Respondent
The Inspector of Police,
Krishnagiri Taluk Police Station,
Krishnagiri District.
(Crime No.242 of 2019)

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. to enlarge the petitioners on bail in the event of their arrest in Crime No.242 of 2019 pending investigation on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioners: Mr.E.Kannadasan

For Respondent : Mr. S.Karthikeyan,
Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

(The case has been heard through video conference)

The petitioners who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 147, 294 (b), 323, 324 and 506(ii) of IPC, in Crime No.242 of 2019 on the file of the respondent police, seek anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that there was a land dispute between the petitioners and the defacto complainant, as a result of which, the petitioners had abused and attacked the defacto complainant with hands and legs and caused injuries. Hence, the complaint was registered.

3. The learned Counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioners are innocent persons and they have not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution and a false case has been

foisted against them. He would further submit that the petitioners have given a complaint before the respondent police in Crime No.243 of 2019 against the defacto complainant and there is a case in counter. Hence, he prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor submitted that there is a case in counter case in Crime Nos.242 & 243 of 2019 has been registered by the respondent police. He would further submit that the investigation has been completed and the final report has been filed before the learned Judicial Magistrate-II, Krishnagiri and the case was taken in C.C.No.82 of 2020. He further submitted that there are no previous cases pending as against the petitioners. He would further submit that the injured person has been discharged from the hospital. However, he opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and that there is a case in counter and the injured person has been discharged from the hospital and the investigation also completed, this court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners with certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before the learned Judicial Magistrate-II, Krishnagiri, on condition that each of the petitioners shall execute a separate bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand only) with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the respondent police or the police officer who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned, failing which this petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed and on further condition that:

[a] the petitioners and the sureties shall affix his 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 5560].

[f] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229A IPC.

7. With the above directions, this Criminal Original Petition is ordered.

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24/02/2021

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 JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE-II,
KRISHNAGIRI.

2 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
KRISHNAGIRI [FOR INFORMATION].

3 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

4 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
KRISHNAGIRI TALUK POLICE STATION,
KRISHNAGIRI DISTRICT.

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

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