

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 22.02.2021

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE V.BHARATHIDASAN

CrI.O.P.No.3336 of 2021

1.Iyyappan
2.Chinnakannu

... Petitioners/Accused

-Vs-

State rep by,
Inspector of Police,
Thanipadi Police Station,
Tiruvannamalai District.
(Crime No.26 of 2021)

... Respondent/Complainant

Prayer: Criminal Original petition filed under Section 438 of Code of Criminal Procedure praying to enlarge the Petitioners on bail in the event of their arrest in Crime No.26 of 2021 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioners : Mr.D.Padmanabhan

For Respondent : Mr.S.Karthikeyan
Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

(Heard through video conference)

The petitioners, who were apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offences punishable under Sections 4(1)(b), 4(1)(g), 4(1)(aa), 4(1-A)(ii) Tamil Nadu Prohibition Act 1937, in Crime No.26 of 2021, on the file of the respondent police, seek anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioners along with other accused were in possession of 400 litres of ID arrack, 60 litres lorry tube and 2 bottles each containing 375 ml without valid license. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioners would submit that the petitioners are innocent person and they have been falsely

implicated in this case. He would further submit that they have not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. Hence, he prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor would submit that there are no previous cases as against the petitioners. However, he vehemently opposed grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

5. Taking into consideration the facts and submissions of the learned Counsels, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners subject to the following conditions;

6. Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail in the event of their arrest or on their appearance, within a period of fifteen (15) days from the date on which the copy of the order is made ready, before the learned Judicial Magistrate, Thandrapattu, on condition that the petitioner 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, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed 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 respondent/police 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 daily at 10.30 a.m., for a period of two weeks and thereafter as and when required for the 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.

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

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22/02/2021

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,
THANDRAMPATTU.

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

3 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

4 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
THANIPADI POLICE STATION,
THIRUVANNAMALAI.

+1 CC to M/S.D.PADMANABHAN Advocate on payment of necessary charges
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