

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Monday, the Fifteenth day of March Two Thousand Twenty One

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr Justice V. BHARATHIDASAN

CRIMINAL ORIGINAL PETITION No.4599 of 2021

A.MURUGESAN

[PETITIONER/ACCUSED]

Vs

STATE BY

[RESPONDENT/COMPLAINANT]

THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
CIVIL SUPPLIES CID,
KRISHNAGIRI,
KRISHNAGIRI DISTRICT.
CR.NO.11 OF 2021.

For Petitioner : M/S. C.PRAKASAM Advocate

For Respondent : M/S. S.KARTHIKEYAN, Additional Public Prosecutor

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

ORDER : The Court Made the following order :-

The petitioner is A3. Apprehending arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offence under Section 6(4) of Tamil Nadu Scheduled Commodities (RDCS) Order 1982, r/w. Section 7(1)(a)(ii) of Essential Commodities Act, 1955 in Crime No.11 of 2021 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on routine checkup they intercepted a Taurus lorry and found 10.6 ton of rice without valid permit. On enquiry it was found that the petitioner along with A1 and A2 has transported the rice. Hence, the respondent police registered a case against the petitioner.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner did not indulged in any offence and the petitioner is in no way connected with the offence. Hence, he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent would submit that the petitioner was involved in transporting huge quantity of rice unauthorizedly.

5. The learned counsel for the petitioner, on instructions, submitted that the petitioner is prepared to deposit a sum of Rs.25,000/- without prejudice to his defence.

6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail on stringent conditions to the petitioner, subject to the following conditions :

(a) Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail, in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned Judicial Magistrate No.I, Krishnagiri, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand only) with two sureties, 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:

(b) 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.

(c) The petitioner is directed to deposit a sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) to the credit of "Awake Trust", Dindigul, having account at Bank of Baroda, Dindigul Branch, (A/c.No.75060100006955, IFSC No.BARBODINDIG), within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order without prejudice to his rights and contentions before the trial Court ;

(d) The petitioner shall appear before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m. for a period of two weeks and thereafter, as and when required for interrogation.

(e) The petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial.

(f) The petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial.

(g) 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].

(h) 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.

-sd/-
15/03/2021

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 NO.I,
KRISHNAGIRI.

2 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE
KRISHNAGIRI [FOR INFORMATION].

3 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

4 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
CIVIL SUPPLIES CID,
KRISHNAGIRI,
KRISHNAGIRI DISTRICT.

5 AWAKE TRUST, DINDIGUL,
BANK OF BARODA, DINDIGUL BRANCH,
(A/C.NO.75060100006955, IFSC NO.BARBODINDIG)

+1 CC to M/S. C.PRAKASAM Advocate on payment of necessary
charges SR NO. 3389

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Date :15/03/2021

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