

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Friday, the Twenty Third day of April Two Thousand Twenty One

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mrs Justice V.BHAVANI SUBBAROYAN

CRIMINAL ORIGINAL PETITION No.7692 of 2021

GIRIDHARAN

[PETITIONER / ACCUSED]

Vs

STATE REP. BY

[RESPONDENT]

INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
W-13, ALL WOMEN POLICE STATION,
WASHERMENPET, CHENNAI
CRIME NO.18 OF 2020

For Petitioner : M/S.P.GURUNATHAN Advocate

For Respondent : M/S.M.PRABHAVATHI, ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR

PETITION FOR BAIL 439 Cr.P.C.

ORDER : The Court Made the following order :-

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 13.12.2020 for the alleged offences punishable under Section 6 of POCSO Act and Section 5(1)(a)(i) of ITP Act of in Crime No.18 of 2020, on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner is a photographer by profession and he is having friendship with the co-accused, due to which, he exploited the victim girl who was pushed into prostitution by the co-accused. Hence the complaint.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is no way connected with the alleged offence and he has been falsely implicated in this case. Hence, he prays to grant bail to the petitioner.

4.The learned Additional Public Prosecutor submits that the victim girl is aged about 13 years has been pushed into prostitution and the petitioner is one of the customers who had exploited the victim girl knowing that she is a minor. She further submits that the final report has been filed and some of the accused are still absconding and NBW is pending against them. She further submits the petitioner's earlier petition was dismissed by the lower Court. Hence she vehemently opposed for granting bail to the petitioner.

5.Considering the fact that the offence is grave in nature and also the petitioner's earlier application was dismissed by the lower court, this Court is not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner at this point of time.

6.Accordingly, this criminal original petition is dismissed.

-sd/-
23/04/2021

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 INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
W-13, ALL WOMEN POLICE STATION,
WASHERMENPET, CHENNAI

2 THE SUPERINTENDENT,
CENTRAL PRISON,
PUZHAL, CHENNAI.

3 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

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

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Date :23/04/2021

MK:29/06/2021

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