

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

Dated : 06.05.2021

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE G.R.SWAMINATHAN

Crl.M.P.No.5711 of 2021

in Crl.R.C No.279 of 2021

M.Nandhakumar

...Petitioner

-Vs-

V.S.Rajkumar

...Respondent

Criminal Miscellaneous Petition is filed under Section 397(1) of Cr.P.C. to suspend the sentence imposed on the petitioner in the Judgment dated 03.11.2020 made in C.A.No.40 of 2019 on the file of the learned Third Additional District and Sessions Court, Erode at Gobichettipalayam confirming the judgment dated 10.08.2019 made in STC No.5830 of 2014 on the file of the learned Judicial Magistrate No.1, Gobichettipalayam and enlarge the petitioner on bail pending disposal of the above Revision Case.

For Petitioner : Mr.N.Manoharan

ORDER

The petitioner was found guilty by both the Courts below for an offence under Section 138 of Negotiable Instruments Act and was sentenced to undergo Six months simple imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs.2,00,000/-, that is the amount due upon the instrument under Section 357 of Cr.P.C., to the complainant u/s.255(2) Cr.P.C. Hence, the petitioner seeks suspension of sentence.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is ready to deposit a sum of Rs.75,000/- to the credit of S.T.C.No.5830 of 2014 on the file of the learned Judicial Magistrate, No.1, Gobichettipalayam. The petitioner has no objection for the complainant to withdraw the said amount. Of course, this is without prejudice to petitioners' contentions in this revision petition.

3. Having regard to the fact that there are arguable points involved in the revision and further, the revision is not likely to be taken up for final hearing in the near future and also considering the period of incarceration, I am of the considered opinion that the petitioner is entitled for the relief of suspension of sentence. The petitioner is directed to deposit a sum of Rs.75,000/- to the credit of S.T.C.No.5830 of 2014 on the file of the learned Judicial Magistrate, No.1, Gobichettipalayam, within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

4. Accordingly, the substantive sentence of imprisonment alone is suspended and the petitioner is directed to be enlarged on bail, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a 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 learned Judicial Magistrate, Madurantakam, and on further condition that the petitioner shall appear before the said Court at 10.30 a.m. on the first working day of every week, pending revision.

5. Accordingly, this petition is ordered.

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This order, on being produced, be punctually observed and carried into execution by all concerned

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1 THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE NO.I,
GOBICHETTIPALAYAM.

2 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE
ERODE [FOR INFORMATION].

3 THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
MADURANTAKAM.

4 THE III ADDITIONAL DISTRICT AND SESSIONS COURT,
GOBICHETTIPALAYAM, ERODE.

+1 C.C. to M/S.N.MANOCHARAN Advocate on payment of necessary charges
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