

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 20.05.2021

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M. DHANDAPANI

Crl.O.P.No.9478 of 2021

P.Vasanth

... Petitioner

Vs.

State represented by,
Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Vigilance and Anti Corruption Wing,
Namakal.
(Crime No.2/AC/2021)

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original petition has been filed under Section 439 of Cr.P.C, prayed to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the Crime No.2/AC/2021 on the file of the respondent.

For Petitioner : Mr.B.S.Manikandan

For Respondent : Mr.E.Raj Thilak
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)

O R D E R

The petitioner, who was arrested on 25.03.2021 and remanded to judicial custody for the offences under Section 7(b) of the Prevention of Corruption Act in Crime No.2/AC/2021 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the the petitioner seeks bribe of Rs.4,000/- from the defacto complainant for recommending Senior Citizen Pension Scheme. Hence, the law enforcing agency registered a case against the petitioner.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner had not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution and he has been falsely implicated in this case and has been in jail for a period of 54 days. He further submits that without prejudice to their defence and contentions, the petitioner, on his own volition, is ready to deposit Rs.1,00,000/- to The Medical

Superintendent, Government Hospital, Namakkal for treating COVID-19 patients. Therefore, he prays to grant bail to the petitioner.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Criminal side) vehemently opposed the grant of bail by stating that the petitioner demanded bribe of Rs.4,000/- from the defacto complainant for recommending Senior Citizen Pension Scheme.

5.Taking into consideration of the facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the period of incarceration suffered by the petitioner, and also the fact that the petitioner, on his own volition and willingness is ready to pay cost as may be ordered by this Court to any charitable institution, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner.

6.Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to to be released on bail subject to the following conditions:-

(a) the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only) before the Superintendent of the Sub Jail, Salem, in which the petitioner is confined and on such execution the petitioner shall be released from prison;

(b) Within a period of four weeks after the release, the petitioner shall execute a bond for Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) with two sureties each for like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Namakkal District.

(c) In case of any difficulty in executing the said bond along with the sureties before the concerned Magistrate within the time stipulated above, the petitioner is permitted to file appropriate petition within a period of four weeks therefrom before the concerned Magistrate for extension of time for executing the bond long with sureties and if any such application is filed, the concerned Magistrate shall decide on the grant of extension of time for accepting the bond and sureties in accordance with law. Failing filing of any such application within the time prescribed above, the bail granted by this Court would stand automatically vacated;

(d)the petitioner shall to pay a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One lakh Only) either through RTGS/NEFT/Cash/Demand Draft in favour of "The Medical Superintendent/Authorised Officer, Government Hospital, Namakkal" for the purpose of treating COVID-19 patients and produce proof of such payment of the above amount to the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Namakkal District, at the time of release on bail;

(e) the petitioner and 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;

(f) the petitioner shall report before the learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Namakkal once in 15 days until further orders.

(g) the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

(h) the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

(i) 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]; and;

(j) if the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229-A IPC.

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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 CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE
NAMAKKAL DISTRICT.

2 THE OFFICER INCHARGE
SUB-JAIL, SALEM.

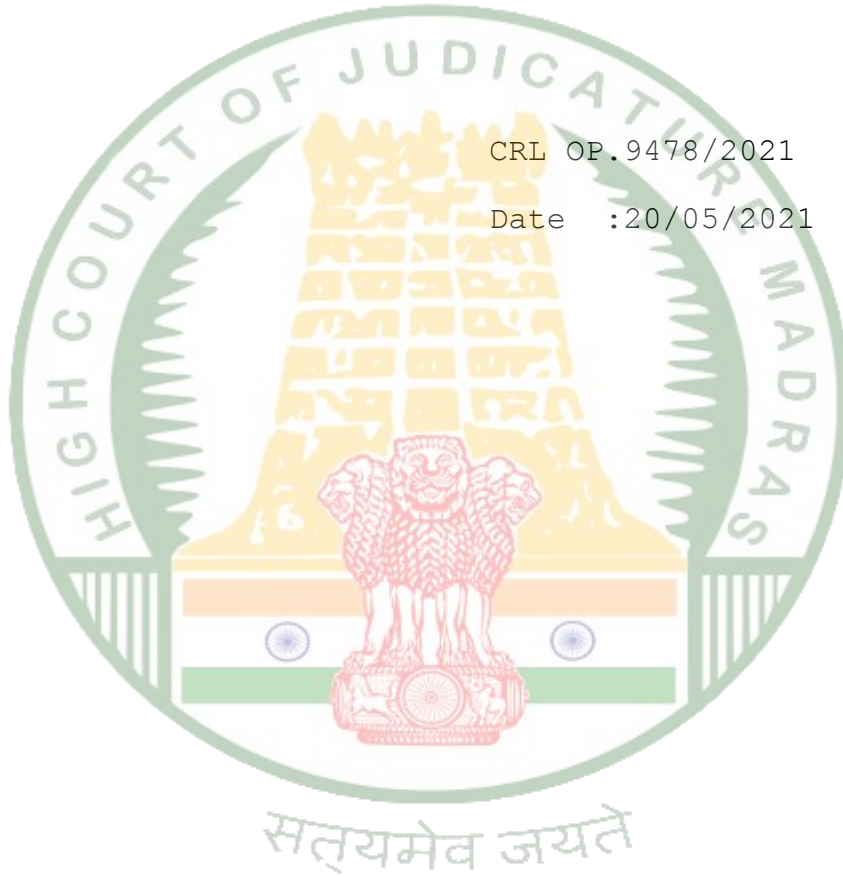
3 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

4 THE DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE,
VIGILANCE AND ANTI CORRUPTION WING,
NAMAKKAL.

5 THE MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT/
AUTHORISED OFFICER, GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL,
NAMAKKAL FOR THE PURPOSE OF
TREATING COVID-19 PATIENTS

+1 CC to M/S B.S.MANIKANDAN Advocate on payment of necessary
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