

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 02.07.2021

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

CrI.O.P.No.11434 of 2021

Uthaman @ Pratheep

... Petitioner

Vs.

State rep. by

Sub-Inspector of Police,
Chunambedu Police Station,
Chengalpet District.
(Crime No.344 of 2019)

.... Respondent

Prayer:

Petition filed under Section 438 of Cr.P.C., seeking to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of his arrest in Crime No.344 of 2019 pending investigation on the file of the respondent.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Dhilipan

For Respondent : Mr.A.Gopinath
Government Advocate (CrI. Side)

O R D E R

The petitioner who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offence under Sections 4(1)(a), 4(1-A) of TNP Act in Cr.No.344 of 2019 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner is alleged to have been found in possession of 5 litres of I.D. Arrack and 48 bottles (each 180 ml.) of brandy.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution and that he has been falsely implicated in the case. The learned counsel, on instructions, further submitted that the petitioner is ready to deposit a sum of Rs.50,000/- to the Chief Educational Officer, Chengalpet District.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) submitted that there are three previous cases as against the petitioner.

5.Considering the fact that the petitioner is ready to deposit a sum of Rs.50,000/- to the Chief Educational Officer, Chengalpet District, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

6.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 District Muncif cum Judicial Magistrate, Cheyyur, 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 respondent police or the police officer who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned and on further condition that:

(a)The petitioner shall make a non-refundable deposit of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand Only) to the credit of the Chief Educational Officer, Chengalpet District for the rehabilitation and improvement of the basic needs of the Government Schools in the said District under necessary acknowledgment, without prejudice to his defence before the trial court and submit proof of payment of the said amount before the aforesaid learned Judicial Magistrate, who after perusing the receipt/ acknowledgment shall accept the sureties furnished by the petitioner.

(b)the petitioner and the sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the surety bond and the Court concerned may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity;

(c)the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m. until further orders;

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

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

(f)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;

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

7.The Chief Educational Officer shall submit the necessary proof with regard to the expenditure incurred and works that were done for the improvement/ rehabilitation of the schools in the District before the Director of School Education as and when such works are completed by utilising the money as ordered by this Court.

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02/07/2021

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 DISTRICT MUNSIF CUM
JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, CHEYYUR

2 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE
CHENGALPATTU (FOR INFORMATION)

3 SUB-INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
CHUNAMBEDU POLICE STATION,
CHENGALPET DISTRICT.

4 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

5 THE CHIEF EDUCATIONAL OFFICER
CHENGALPET

CC to M/S.S.DHILIPAN Advocate on payment of necessary charges
Sr.7039

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