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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 20.07.2021

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

Crl.O.P.No.12467 of 2021

Kumar @ Sengottaiyan ... Petitioner

Vs.

State Rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
Ramanathan Police Station,
Cuddalore District.
(Crime No.192 of 2021) ... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original petition has been filed under Section 438 of Cr.P.C prayed to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of his arrest in Crime No.192 of 2021 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Karuppaiaya Moopanar

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

ORDER

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offence punishable under Section 4(1)(a), 4(1-A) and 14-A of TNP Act, in Crime No.192 of 2021, on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution in that when the respondent police was on regular checkup they found that the petitioner/A1 was in possession of 4 liters of illicit arrack. Hence, the law enforcing agency registered a case against the petitioner.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution and he has been falsely implicated in this case. However, on instructions, the learned counsel further submitted that the petitioner, on his own volition, is ready and willing to contribute a sum of Rs.10,000/- for the purpose of improving and maintaining the Government Schools.

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4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) vehemently opposed the grant of anticipatory bail by stating that the petitioner was in possession of 4 liters of illicit arrack. Hence he vehemently opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5.Considering facts and circumstances of the case and there is no previous case pending against the petitioner, I am 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 Judicial Magistrate, Tittagudi, Cuddalore 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)if the petitioner failed to surrender before the concerned Magistrate within a period of 15 days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, this order shall stand automatically cancelled;

(b) the petitioner shall make a non-refundable deposit of Rs.10,000/- to the credit of " The Chief Educational Officer, Cuddalore 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 ;

(c) 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;

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

(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;

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(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]; and;

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

7. In the result, this Criminal Original Petition is ordered and 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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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,
TITTAGUDI.

2 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE
CUDAALORE DISTRICT [FOR INFORMATION].

3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
RAMANATHAPURAM POLICE STATION,
CUDDALORE DISTRICT.

4 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

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5 THE CHIEF EDUCATIONAL OFFICER,
CUDDALORE DISTRICT.

CC to M/S.K.KARUPPAIYAMOOPPANAR Advocate on payment of necessary charges

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