



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Monday, the Twenty Third day of August Two Thousand Twenty One

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr Justice M.DHANDAPANI

CRIMINAL ORIGINAL PETITION No.14998 of 2021

MEGARAJAN

[PETITIONER / ACCUSED]

Vs

THE STATE REP BY
THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
CIVIL SUPPLY C.I.D.,
(*)ARIYALUR DISTRICT
CR NO. 72/2021

[RESPONDENT]

For Petitioner : M/S.D.SURIYANARAYANAN Advocate

For Respondent : MR.C.E.PRATAP Govt. Advocate (Crl. Side)
[IN CRL.OP.NO.14998/2021]

: MR. S.BALAJI, Govt. Advocate (Crl. Side)
[IN CRL.MP.NO.12337/2021]

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec. 438 Cr.P.C.

ORDER : The Court Made the following order :-

The petitioner who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offence under Sections 6(4) of TNSC (RDCS) Orders, 1982, r/w section 7(1)(a)(ii) of Essential Commodities Act, 1955 in Cr.No.72 of 2021 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner is arrayed as A3 in this case. On 31.07.2021, on receiving secret information, the respondent police made inspection. At that time, the petitioner along with other accused persons were found in illegal transportation of 20 bags of wheat and rice flour with Government seal from this petitioner's mill. The respondent police has been registered a case against the petitioner and other accused persons.



3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has been falsely implicated in this case. The petitioner is an owner of the mill and he is no way connected with the said offence. However, on instructions, 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 and also there is no previous case pending against the petitioner. Hence, he prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate appearing for the respondent submitted that the petitioner is the owner of the mill and arrayed as A3 in this case. The other accused persons have bought 665 Kgs. of PDS rice, rice flour and wheat flour worth about Rs.30,000/-. There is no previous case pending against this petitioner. Hence, he opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and the submissions made by either side, 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 Principal District and Sessions Judge, Perambalur District, 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 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;

(b)the petitioner shall make a non-refundable deposit of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) to the credit of the Chief Educational Officer, Perambalur District for the rehabilitation and improvement of the basic needs of the Government Schools in the said District under necessary acknowledgement, without prejudice to his defence before the trial Court and submit the proof of payment of the said amount before the aforesaid learned Judicial Magistrate, who after perusing the challan/ receipt/acknowledgement, shall accept the sureties furnished by the petitioner;

(c)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 for interrogation;

(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. 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 for the improvement/rehabilitation of the Government Schools in the said 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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23/08/2021

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.

[*] Amended as per order of this court dated 29.11.2021 made in Cr1.MP.NO.12337/2021 in Cr1.O.P.No. 14998/2021

TO

1 THE PRINCIPAL DISTRICT AND SESSIONS JUDGE,
PERAMBALUR DISTRICT.

**(*) 2 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
CIVIL SUPPLY C.I.D.,
ARIYALUR DISTRICT.**

3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
CIVIL SUPPLY C.I.D.,
PERAMBALUR DISTRICT.



4 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

5 THE CHIEF EDUCATIONAL OFFICER,
PERAMBALUR DISTRICT.

CC to M/S.D.SURIYANARAYANAN Advocate on payment of necessary
charges

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Date :23/08/2021

RW 27/08/2021

RW 13/12/2021