



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Tuesday, the Twenty Sixth day of October Two Thousand Twenty One

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr Justice M.DHANDAPANI

CRIMINAL ORIGINAL PETITION No.19880 of 2021

SOUNTHARAJAN @ SOUNDAR

[PETITIONER / ACCUSED]

Vs

THE STATE REP BY
THE SUB INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
CSCID, SALEM
CR NO.115/2021

[RESPONDENT]

For Petitioner : M/S.M.MOHAMED RIYAZ Advocate

For Respondent : M/S. C.E.PRATAP, Govt. Advocate (Crl. Side)

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 Section 6(4) of the Tamil Nadu Scheduled Commodities (RDCS) Order, 1982 r/w.Section 7(1) (a) (ii) of Essential Commodities Act, 1955 in Cr.No.115 of 2021 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner is alleged to to have been found in possession of 1050 Kgs. of PDS rice.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted 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.5,000/- to the Chief Educational Officer, Salem District.

4.The learned Government Advocate submitted that there is no previous case as against the petitioner.

5.Considering the fact that there is no previous case as against the petitioner and since the petitioner is ready to deposit a sum of



Rs.5,000/- to the Chief Educational Officer, Salem 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 Judicial Magistrate No.2, Salem, 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.5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand Only) to the credit of the Chief Educational Officer, Salem 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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26/10/2021

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 JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
NO.II, SALEM

2 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE
SALEM [FOR INFORMATION]

3 THE SUB INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
CSCID , SALEM

4 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

5 THE CHIEF EDUCATIONAL OFFICER
SALEM DISTRICT

+1 CC to M/S.M.MOHAMED RIYAZ Advocate on payment of necessary charges SR.No.11923

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Date :26/10/2021

APN 28/10/2021