

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 05.01.2021

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THE HONOURABLE Mr.JUSTICE V.BHARATHIDASAN

Cr1.O.P.No.20980 of 2020

Thangavel

...Petitioner

Vs.

State rep by
The Inspector of Police,
Veppur Police Station,
Cuddalore District.
(Crime No.1477 of 2020)

....Respondent

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 438 of Criminal Procedure Code, praying to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of arrest in Crime No. 1477 of 2020 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.Selvam

For Respondent : Mr.S.Karthikeyan
Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

(The case has been heard through video conference)

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offences under Section 304(2) of IPC in Crime No.1477 of 2020 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution as per the de-facto complainant is that the petitioner is the husband of the deceased and the *de facto* complainant is the son of the deceased. The allegation against the petitioner is that on 21.11.2020, there was a wordy quarrel between the petitioner and the deceased wife, due to sudden provocation, the petitioner is said to have pushed the deceased down, and she fall down in a shelf, due to which, she sustained injuries and died. Based on the complaint given by his son, the case was registered.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is innocent and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He would submit that the petitioner is aged about 77 years and that there was a quarrel between the petitioner and his wife, due to some sudden provocation, the occurrence had happened. Hence, he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. Mr.S.Karthikeyan, learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent would submit that the occurrence had taken place on the early morning at 3.00.a.m and that due to a wordy quarrel, the petitioner pushed the deceased down, in which, she sustained injuries and died. Hence, he vehemently opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case and also the submissions made by the learned counsels and that the occurrence had taken place due to sudden provocation and the petitioner is said to have pushed the deceased and she fell down and sustained head injury and died and also considering the age of the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner subject to the following conditions:

a) 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-I, Viruthachalam, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand only) with two sureties, 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, failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed and on further condition that:

[b] 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.

[c] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police as and required for the 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]**.

[g] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229A IPC.

6. With the above directions, this Criminal Original Petition is ordered.

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05/01/2021

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.I, VIRUTHACHALAM.

2 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE
CUDDALORE. [FOR INFORMATION]

3 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

4 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
VEPPUR POLICE STATION,
CUDDALORE DISTRICT.

+1 CC to M/S.M.SELVAM Advocate on payment of necessary charges
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