



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 01.11.2021

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

Crl.O.P.No.20571 of 2021

Karthik

... Petitioner

Vs.

The Inspector of Police,
B-1, North Beach Police Station,
Chennai.

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition has been filed under Section 439 of Cr.P.C, prayed to grant bail to the petitioner in Crime No.1481 of 2021 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.P.Sathyanathan

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

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested on 01.10.2021 and remanded to judicial custody for the offences under Sections 24(1) of COTPA Act and Section 353 and 506(i) IPC in Crime No.1481 of 2021 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that when the respondent police was on regular raid, they found that the petitioner was in illegal possession of banned tobacco products worth about Rs.15,00,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Lakhs Only). Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is no way connected with the alleged offence and he has been falsely implicated in this case and the petitioner has been in jail from 01.10.2021. However, on instructions, the learned counsel further submits that the petitioner, without prejudice his rights, on his own volition, is ready to deposit an amount of **Rs.1,50,000/- for the purpose of constructing Toilet for girls, R.O.Plant and Waster Tank in the Government Higher Secondary Schools, Thandurai, Avadi, Pattabiram, Thiruvallur District.** Therefore, he prays to grant bail to the petitioner.



4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent submits that petitioner was in illegal possession of banned tobacco products worth about Rs.15,00,000/-. Hence, he vehemently opposed for grant of bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the period of incarceration suffered by the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner with certain conditions:

6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his executing 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 **learned VII Metropolitan Magistrate, George Town, Chennai** and on further condition that:

(a) the petitioner shall make a non-refundable deposit of **Rs.1,50,000/- (Rupees One lakh and fifty thousand only)** to the credit of the Chief Educational Officer, Thiruvallur District for the purpose of constructing Toilet for Girls, R.O.Plant and Water Tank in the Government Higher Secondary Schools, Thandurai, Avadi, Pattabiram, Thiruvallur District 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;

(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, 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. 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 Commissioner of School Education as and when such works are completed by utilising the money as ordered by this Court.

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01/11/2021

This order, on being produced, be punctually observed and carried into execution by all concerned

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High Court, Madras - 600 104.

TO

1 THE METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE,
NO.VII, GEORGE TOWN, CHENNAI.

2 THE CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE,
EGMORE, CHENNAI. [FOR INFORMATION]

3 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

4 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
B-1, NORTH BEACH POLICE STATION,
CHENNAI.

5 THE SUPERINTENDENT,
CENTRAL PRISON, PUZHAL, CHENNAI.

6 THE CHIEF EDUCATIONAL OFFICER,
THIRUVALLUR DISTRICT.

7 THE GOVERNMENT HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS,
THANDURAI, AVADI, PATTABIRAM,
THIRUVALLUR DISTRICT.

+1 CC to M/S.P.SATHYANATHAN Advocate on payment of necessary charges SR.NO.12260

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