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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 18.11.2021

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THE HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE T.V.THAMILSELVI

Crl.O.P.No.21632 of 2021

1.Gopalakrishnan
2.Sankar

... Petitioners

Vs.

State Rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
Vikravandi Police Station,
Villupuram District.
Crime No.581 of 2021.

... Respondent

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 438 of Cr.P.C., praying to enlarge the petitioners on bail in the event of their arrest in Crime No.581 of 2021 on the file of the respondent.

For Petitioners : Mr.K.Sudhakar

For Respondent : Mr.N.S.Suganthan

Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The petitioners, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offences punishable under Sections 379 of IPC r/w Section 21(1) of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act 1957, in Crime No.581 of 2021, on the file of the respondent police, seek anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioners have transported 3 unit and 2 unit of M-sand illegally by using their vehicle bearing registration Nos.TN 20, AM-2577 and TN16 F-8289 without any valid licence. Hence the complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioners would submit that the petitioners are innocent persons and they have not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. However, on instructions, the learned counsel further submitted that the petitioners, on their own volition, is ready and willing to contribute a sum of Rs.10,000/- to the credit of the Tamil Nadu Advocate Clerk Association, Cuddalore, that may be imposed by this Court, if the prayer for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners.



4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.side) appearing for the respondent submitted that the quantity of M-sand involved is 5 unit. He further submitted that there is no previous case pending against the petitioners.

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5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the submission made by the learned Government Advocate (Crl.side), this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners with certain conditions. Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance before the learned District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Vikaravandi, on condition that the petitioners shall execute a separate 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, failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed and on further condition that:

[a] the petitioners are directed to deposit a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) each to the credit of the **Registered Advocate Clerk Association, Cuddalore**, within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and shall produce the said receipt before the Court below.

[b] the petitioners and 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 petitioners are directed to report before the respondent police **on every Wednesday at 10.30 a.m. for a period of four weeks and thereafter as and when required for interrogation.**

[d] the petitioners shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial.

[e] the petitioners 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 petitioners in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioners 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.

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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 DISTRICT MUNSIF CUM
JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, VIKARAVANDI,
VILLUPURAM DISTRICT.

2 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE
CUDDALORE. [FOR INFORMATION]

3 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

4 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
VIKARAVANDI POLICE STATION,
VILLUPURAM DISTRICT.

5 THE REGISTERED ADVOCATE CLERK ASSOCIATION,
CUDDALORE DISTRICT.

+1 CC to M/S. K.SUDHAKAR Advocate on payment of necessary
charges SR.NO.12980

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