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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 22.11.2021

CORAM:

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

Crl.O.P.No.21967 of 2021

Anantharaman

.. Petitioner

Vs.

The State

... Respondent

Rep.by Inspector of Police,  
Cuddalore OT Police Station,  
Cuddalore District.  
(Crime No.591 of 2021)

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 438 of Cr.P.C., prayed to enlarge the petitioner/3<sup>rd</sup> accused on bail in the event of his arrest in connection with Crime No.591 of 2021 pending investigation on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.C.Vishwanth

For Respondent : Mr.N.S.Suganthan  
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offences punishable under Sections 273, 328, 353 of IPC r/w Section 24(1) of the Cigarette and Other Tobacco Products Act in Crime No.591 of 2021, on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner along with others were found in illegal possession of various types of banned tobacco products. Hence the complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is innocent person and he has not committed any such offence as alleged by the prosecution. He further submits that the co-accused were already enlarged on bail. However, on instructions, the learned counsel further submits that the petitioner, on his own volition, is ready and willing to contribute a sum of Rs.5,000/- to the credit of the Registered Advocates Clerks Association, Cuddalore. Hence, he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.



4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.side) appearing for the respondent opposed for granting anticipatory bail to the petitioner by stating that the petitioner along with others were found in illegal possession of various types of banned tobacco products.

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5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the submissions made by the both counsel and also the fact that the petitioner has willfully and on his own volition agreed to contribute a sum of Rs.5,000/- for charitable purpose, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance before the *learned Judicial Magistrate Court No.II, Cuddalore*, 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, failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed and on further condition that:

[a] the petitioner is directed to deposit a sum of Rs.5000/- (Rupees Five thousand only) to the Registered Advocates Clerks 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 petitioner 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 petitioner is 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 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 has 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.

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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, CUDDALORE.

2 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE  
CUDDALORE [FOR INFORMATION]

3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,  
CUDDALORE OT POLICE STATION,  
CUDDALORE DISTRICT.

4 THE REGISTERED ADVOCATES CLERKS ASSOCIATION,  
CUDDALORE DISTRICT.

5 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR  
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

+1CC to M/S. S.C.VISHWANTH Advocate on payment of necessary charges SR.NO.13189

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Date :22/11/2021

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