



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 02.12.2021

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THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE T.V.THAMILSELVI

Cr1.O.P.No.23051 of 2021

Ramamoorthy

...Petitioner

Versus

The State Rep by
The Inspector of Police,
PEWCuddalore Police Station,
Cuddalore District.
(Crime No.291 of 2020)

...Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of his arrest in Crime No.291 of 2020 pending investigation on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : M/s.S. Uma Maheswari

For Respondent : Mr.N.S.Suganthan
Government Advocate (Cr1.Side)

O R D E R

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offences punishable under Section 4 (1)(aaa), 4(1-A) of the TN Prohibition Act and 5, 6, 13 of TN Rectified Sprit Rules 2000, in Crime No.291 of 2020, on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner along with other accused persons were found in illegal possession of 525 litres of Rectified Sprit. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. However, on instructions, the learned counsel further submitted that the petitioner, on his own volition, is ready and willing to contribute a sum of Rs.10,000/- to the Legal Services Authority, Cuddalore District. Hence, he prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.



4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent submitted that the petitioner along with other accused persons were found in illegal possession of 525 litres of Rectified Spirit. He further submitted that there are four previous cases pending against the petitioner.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, 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.III, 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.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) to the credit of the Legal Services Authority, 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., 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].



[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.III, CUDDALORE.

2 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE
CUDDALORE DISTRICT. [FOR INFORMATION]

3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
PEW- CUDDALORE POLICE STATION,
CUDDALORE DISTRICT.

4 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

5 THE OFFICER INCHARGE,
TAMIL NADU LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY
CUDDALORE.

6 THE SECRETARY,
TAMIL NADU LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

CC to M/S. S.UMA MAHESWARI Advocate on payment of necessary charges

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Date :02/12/2021

RW 27/12/2021