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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 06.12.2021

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THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE T.V.THAMILSELVI

CRL.O.P.No.23237 of 2021

A.Mohan

... Petitioner

Versus

The State represented by
The Forest Range Officer,
Pennagaram,
Dharmapuri District.
(WL.OR No.02 of 2021)

... Respondent

Prayer:- Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner in the event of his arrest or on his appearance before any Court in connection with the case in WL. OR No.02 of 2021 pending investigation on the file of the respondent police.

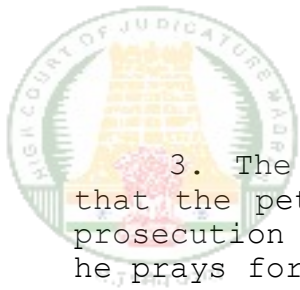
For Petitioner : Mr.N.Manokaran

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

ORDER

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offences under Sections 21(d)(h) of the Tamilnadu Forest Act, 1972 and Sections 2(1)(12B), (16), (35), (36), 9, 39(a), 50 and 51 of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 and Section 25(1) of the Indian Arms Act, 1959 in WL. OR No.02 of 2021, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on 11.04.2021, the crew of the forest department, Pennagaram Range went to Masakkal reserve forest and found that the accused have hunted two deers. Immediately, the above case was registered and A1 to A3 were arrested and produced before the Ld. Judicial Magistrate, Pennagaram for remand on 11.04.2021. Hence this case.



3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution and he has been falsely implicated in this case. Hence, he prays for grant of anticipatory bail.

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4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent submitted that no previous case pending against the petitioner. However, he vehemently opposed to grant anticipatory bail to 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, Pennagaram**, 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 Registered Advocate Clerk Association, Dharmapuri District 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 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 anticipatory 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,
PENNAGARAM, DHARMAPURI.

2 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE
DHARMAPURI. [FOR INFORMATION]

3 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

4 THE FOREST RANGE OFFICER,
PENNAGARAM,
DHARMAPURI DISTRICT.

5 THE REGISTERED ADVOCATE CLERK ASSOCIATION,
DHARMAPURI.

+1 CC to M/S.N.MANOKARAN Advocate on payment of necessary charges SR.NO.14148

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