



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT
(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 17/04/2021

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice G.CHANDRASEKHARAN

CRL OP(MD). No.5411 of 2021

Sankar ... Petitioner/Sole Accused
Vs

State Rep.by
The Inspector of Police,
Kumbakonam Prohibition Enforcement Wing
Thanjavur District.
(Crime No.433 of 2021) ... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : M/s.K.M.Karunakaran,
Advocate.
For Respondent : Ms.R.Anandhadevi,
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

PETITION FOR BAIL Under Sec.439 of Cr.P.C.

PRAYER :- To Bail in Cr.No.433 of 2021 on the file of the respondent Police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

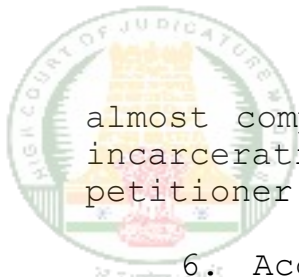
The petitioner/sole accused, who was arrested on 21.03.2021 for the offences punishable under Sections 4(1)(a) r/w. 4(1-A) of Tamil Nadu Prohibition Act in Crime No.433 of 2021 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner was found in illegal possession of 5 litres of Pondicherry arrack.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is innocent and a false case has been foisted against him. He would also submit that the petitioner is in jail for more than 20 days, hence he may be granted bail.

4. The learned Government Advocate(Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent would submit that investigation in this case is almost completed and one previous case is pending against him.

5. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case and also taking note of the fact that investigation is



almost completed and also taking into consideration the period of incarceration, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner.

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 Judicial Magistrate, Thiruvidadaimaruthur, Thanjavur and on further condition that:

[a] 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.

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 am., until further orders.

[c] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial.

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

[e] 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]**.

[f] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229A IPC.

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Sub-Assistant Registrar (C.S.)
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai - 625 023.

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TO

1. THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
THIRUVIDAIMARUTHUR, THANJAVUR.
2. DO-THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
THANJAVUR DISTRICT AT KUMBAKONAM.
3. THE OFFICER INCHARGE, SUB JAIL,
KUMBAKONAM.
4. THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
KUMBAKONAM PROHIBITION ENFORCEMENT WING
THANJAVUR DISTRICT.
5. THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT,
MADURAI.

ORDER
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