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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 12/05/2021

PRESENT

The Hon'ble Mr.Justice A.A.NAKKIRAN

CRL OP(MD) . No.6748 of 2021

R.Ramesh

... Petitioner/Sole Accused

Vs

The State Rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
Marthandam Police Station,
Kanyakumari District,
Crime No. 235/2021.

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.Rajesh K,
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.R.Erottuchamy,
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.438 of Cr.P.C

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.235 Of 2021 on the file of the respondent Police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offences punishable under Sections 4(i)(aaa) and Section 24 of TNP Act in Crime No.235 of 2021, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner had purchased 648 quarter bottles from the Government Tasmac shop. Thereafter, he sold to the Public. Hence the complaint.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and he did not commit any offence as alleged by the prosecution.



4.The learned Government Advocate(Crl.side) submitted that the petitioner had purchased 648 quarter bottles from the Government Tasmac shop. However, he fairly submitted that there is no previous case pending against the petitioner.

5.Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate(Crl.side) appearing for the respondent.

6.Considering the above facts and circumstances and also considering the fact that there is no previous case pending against the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

7.Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned Judicial Magistrate No.I, Kuzhithurai, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh 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 and on further condition that:

[a]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.

[b] the petitioner is directed to deposit a sum of Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand only) to the credit of IOB, Secretariat Branch, Chennai-9 (Account No.11720 10000 00070, IFSC Code: IOBA0001172), within a period of two weeks without prejudice to his rights and contentions before the trial Court;

[c]the petitioner shall report before respondent police as and when 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 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 abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229-A 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 No.I, KUZHITHURAI.
2. DO-THROUGH : THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
KANYAKUMARI DISTRICT AT NAGERCOIL.
3. THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
MARTHANDAM POLICE STATION,
KANYAKUMARI DISTRICT.
4. THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT,
MADURAI.

COPY TO:-

THE OFFICER INCHARGE,
CHIEF MINISTER PUBLIC RELIEF FUND,
SECRETARIAT, CHENNAI-9

ORDER
IN
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