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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 13.07.2021

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice G.CHANDRASEKHARAN

CRL OP(MD)No.9227 of 2021

1.Thanasi
2.Devaraj
3.Jeyakodi

... Petitioners/Accused Rank No.2 to 4

Vs

The State through the Inspector of Police,
Kovilangulam Police Station,
Ramnad District.
Crime No.94 of 2021

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioners : Mr.S.J.Chakkkaravarthy,
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.M.Muthumanikkam,
Government Advocate(Crl. Side)

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

PRAYER :-For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.94 of 2021 on the file of the respondent Police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioners, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offences punishable under Sections 294(b), 323, 336 and 506(2) of IPC and Section 4 of Tamil Nadu Prohibition of Harassment of Women Act, 2002 in Crime No.94 of 2021, seek anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that on 07.07.2021, at about 05.00 pm, one Kalimuthu prevented the defacto complainant's wife from using the pathway, which was already in dispute. Again, at about 08.45 pm, when the defacto complainant and others were talking about this issue, the accused had come there with wooden logs, scolded the defacto complainant and his family members in filthy language. The accused Jeyavelan, Thanasi and Devaraj hit the defacto complainant with wooden logs. The defacto complainant's wife was also attacked in the incident. Hence, the complaint.



3.The learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocent persons and they did not commit any offence as alleged by the prosecution. Therefore, he seeks anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

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4.The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) opposed this petition on the ground that investigation is still pending. He also submitted that A1 in this case has one previous case. However, he submitted that the injured have been discharged from the Hospital.

5. It is seen from the submissions that the incident happened due to pathway dispute. The injured have been discharged from the Hospital. The first accused had been acquitted in Crime No.121 of 2021 under Sections 294(b) and 323 of IPC. Taking the above factors into consideration, this Court is of the view that custodial interrogation of the petitioners is not necessary and hence, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

6.Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, before the Judicial Magistrate, Kamuthi, Ramnad, on condition that the petitioners shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand only) each 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 petitioners 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 petitioners 1 and 2 shall report before respondent police daily at 10.30 am., until further orders. The third petitioner shall report before the respondent police as and when required.

[c]the petitioners shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial.

[d]the petitioners shall not abscond 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 petitioners in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioners released on bail by the learned Magistrate/Trial Court himself as laid down by the Hon'ble

<https://hcservices.mca.gov.in/hcservices/> P.K.Shaji vs. State of Kerala [(2005)AIR SCW 5560].



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

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Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai - 625 023.

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TO

- 1 THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
KAMUTHI,
RAMANATHAPURAM DISTRICT.
- 2 DO THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE
RAMANATHAPURAM DISTRICT.
- 3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
KOVILANGULAM POLICE STATION,
RAMANATHAPURAM DISTRICT.
- 4 THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT,
MADURAI.

+1. CC to Mr.S.J.Chakkaravarthy, Advocate. SR.No.4596.

ORDER
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