



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 27/07/2021

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PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice G.CHANDRASEKHARAN

CRL OP(MD) . No.9970 of 2021

Muruganantham

... Petitioner/Accused No.2

Vs

The State Represented by
The Inspector of Police,
Pateeswaram Police Station,
Thanjavur District.
Crime No. 321/2021.

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Sathya Chidambaram,
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.321/2021 on the file of the respondent Police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner/A2, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offences punishable under Sections 4(1)(a) and 4(1-A) of Tamil Nadu Prohibition Act, in Crime No.321 of 2021, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner along with other co-accused were found in illegal possession of 5 litres of Pondichery arrack on 02.06.2021 at Thenampadugai Village. Hence, the complaint.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent and he has been falsely implicated in this case.



4.The learned Government Advocate (Crl.side) for the respondent strongly opposed this petition on the ground that investigation in this case is not completed.

5.It is a case of illegal possession of 5 litres of Pondicherry arrack. The liquor is seized. The material witnesses are the official witnesses. Therefore, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with conditions.

6.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.II, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, 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 and on further condition that:

i)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;

ii)the petitioners shall deposit a sum of **Rs.5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only)** as non-refundable deposit to the credit of Madras High Court Madurai Bench, Advocate Clerk's Welfare Association, Madurai-625 023 (Indian Bank Saving Account No.496039124, IFSC Code: IDIB000H040), within a period of two weeks without prejudice to his rights and contentions before the trial Court and produce the receipt/acknowledgment before the concerned Court while executing sureties;

iii)the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 am., until further orders.

iv)the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness.

v)the petitioner shall not abscond during trial.

vi)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].

vii)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 NO.II,
KUMBAKONAM, THANJAVUR DISTRICT.
- 2.DO-THROUGH :THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
THANJORE DISTRICT.
- 3.THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE
PATEESWARAM POLICE STATION,
THANJAVUR DISTRICT .
- 4.THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT,
MADURAI.

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