



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 23.08.2021

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PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice B.PUGALENDHI

CRL OP (MD) No.10209 of 2021

T.Antony Anna Prince Raja

... Petitioner/Accused
Not Known

Vs

The State rep.by
The Inspector of Police,
Amathur Police Station,
Virudhunagar District.
(Crime No. 111 of 2021).

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : M/s.Suresh.S, Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.T.Senthilkumar,
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

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

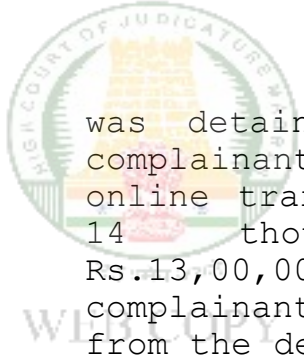
PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.111 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 offence punishable under Sections 341, 342, 363, 506(ii), 406, 420 and 397 IPC in Crime No.111 of 2021, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the *defacto* complainant P.Saravanan resident of Devarkulam near Sivakasi, was running a firm in the name and style of koin bazaar technologies private limited at Madurai and using krypto currency the *defacto* complainant was doing online business on commission basis. On 13.07.2021 at about 10.15 a.m., when he was proceeding in his car all of a sudden, he was waylaid by a car from which four unknown persons and one identifiable person got down. When the *defacto* complainant got down from the car, he was abducted by the accused in his car. The *defacto* complainant was taken to a Cottage at Courtrallam and illegally he



was detained there. Further, the accused demanded the *defacto* complainant to transfer 30 bit coins into their account through online transaction. As a result of which, they obtained win coin. 14 thousand numbered cash coin worth about Rs.13,00,000/- a bracelet, chain, ring from the *defacto* complainant. It is also alleged that the accused obtained signatures from the *defacto* complainant in 8 white sheets. The accused by using the ATM card of the *defacto* complainant withdrew Rs.67,000/- from his account. Thereafter, the *defacto* complainant managed to escape from the accused and lodged the complaint on 17.07.2021.

3.The learned Counsel for the petitioner submitted that admittedly it is a business transaction between the petitioner and the *defacto* complainant and the amount has also been transferred through bank account. The learned Counsel further submits that though the *defacto* complainant has taken a plea that he managed to escape from the clutches of the accused on the very same day, i.e. on 13.07.2021, the complaint was lodged after a delay of four days on 17.07.2021.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Crl Side) submits that they have collected the details with regard to the transfer of the money and the investigation is yet to be completed.

5.Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the nature of allegations levelled against the petitioner and the delay in reporting this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

6.Accordingly, this criminal original petition is allowed and 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-II, Virudhunagar, 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 learned Magistrate concerned and on further conditions 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 Aadhaar card or bank pass book to ensure their identity.

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

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

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[d]the petitioner 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 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 229-A IPC.

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

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TO

1. THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE - II,
VIRUDHUNAGAR.
2. THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
SRIVILLIPUTHUR.
3. THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE
AMATHUR POLICE STATION,
VIRUDHUNAGAR DISTRICT.
4. THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT,
MADURAI.

+ C.C.TO M/S.J.SENTHILKUMARAIAH, ADVOCATE SR.NO.5662

ORDER
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