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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 28/09/2021

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice B.PUGALENDHI

CRL OP(MD) . No.11655 of 2021

1. Dhanalakshmi
2. Vijaykrishnan
3. Mery
4. Vasuki

... Petitioners/Accused
No.2 to 5

Vs

State rep.by
The Inspector of Police,
All Women Police Station,
Paramakudi,
Ramanathapuram District.
(Crime No.14 of 2021).

... Respondent/Complainant

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

For Respondent : M/s.T.Senthil Kumar,
Additional Public Prosecutor

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

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory bail in Crime No.14 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), 498(A), 506(i) of IPC and Section 4 of Tamil Nadu Dowry Prohibition Act, in Crime No.14 of 2021, seek anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the marriage between the first accused and the defacto complainant took place on 25.01.2021. After the marriage, the accused persons demanded dowry from the defacto complainant and threatened her. Hence, the complaint.



3. The learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocents and they have been falsely implicated in this case.

4. Heard the learned Government Advocate (Crl. side) appearing for the respondent police.

5. This Court, by order dated 19.08.2021, referred the matter to the Social Welfare Committee to conduct enquiry and file a report. The District Social Welfare Officer has also filed a report stating that there was no demand of dowry on the part of the petitioners.

6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the nature of allegation levelled against the petitioners, and also the fact that it is a matrimonial dispute, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

7. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is allowed and the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or their appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned Judicial Magistrate, Paramakudi, Ramanathapuram District, on condition that the petitioners shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five thousand only) each with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned and on further conditions that:

(a) the petitioners and the sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the surety bond and the learned Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhaar card or bank pass book to ensure their identity;

(b) the petitioners shall report before the respondent police as and when required;

(c) the petitioners shall not tamper with the 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 Supreme Court in **P.K.Shaji Vs. State of Kerala [(2005) AIR SCW 5560]**; and;



(f)if the accused/ petitioners thereafter abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229-A IPC.

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

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TO

1. THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
PARAMAKUDI, RAMANATHAPURAM DISTRICT.
2. -DO- THRO THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
RAMANATHAPURAM DISTRICT.
3. THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
ALL WOMEN POLICE STATION,
PARAMAKUDI,
RAMANATHAPURAM DISTRICT.
4. THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT,
MADURAI.

ORDER
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