



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT
(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 31/08/2021

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice B.PUGALENDHI

CRL OP(MD). No.11969 of 2021

1. Arunachalam
2. Murugammal

... Petitioners/Accused No.1 & 2

Vs

State Rep.by
The Inspector of Police,
Moolakaraipatty Police Station,
Tirunelveli District.
Crime No.183 of 2021.

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioners: Mr.S.Muthumalai Raja,
Advocate.

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

PETITION FOR BAIL Under Sec.439 of Cr.P.C.

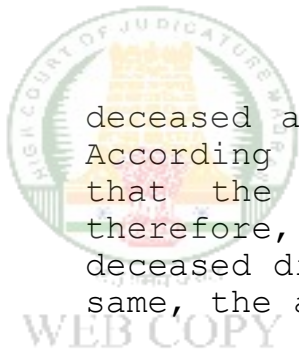
PRAYER :- For Bail in Crime No.183 of 2021 on the file of the Respondent Police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioners/A1 and A2, who were arrested on 12.07.2021 for the offence punishable under Section 302 IPC altered into Sections 302 and 120(b) IPC, in Cr.No.183 of 2021 on the file of the respondent police, seek bail.

2. The petitioners/A1 and A2 are sister and mother of the deceased. The case of the prosecution is that the deceased had intimacy with a neighbour and subsequently, she was also pregnant. At the instigation of A3, who is the brother of the deceased, the petitioners/A1 and A2 attacked the deceased and strangled her neck and caused death. Hence, the case.

3. This case has been registered based on the complaint given by the defacto complainant, who is the paternal uncle of the deceased stating that on 12.07.2021, at about 5.45 a.m., the 2nd accused came to his house and stated that her elder daughter/deceased committed suicide by hanging in her house. But, the defacto complainant had noticed some external injury on the



deceased and found the deceased lying on the floor of the house. According to the defacto complainant, the motive of the crime is that the deceased had illegal intimacy with a neighbour and therefore, the accused persons scolded the deceased. But, the deceased did not heed the words of the accused. Embarrassed over the same, the accused murdered the deceased.

4. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners scolded the deceased regarding her affairs with a neighbour, but, the same was refused by the deceased. Thereafter, she had taken this extreme step and she herself committed suicide by hanging. The petitioners had not involved in any offence as alleged by the prosecution. However, they are languishing in jail from 12.07.2021. Hence, the learned counsel prayed for grant of bail.

5. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) submitted that all the witnesses have been examined and the chemical analysis report is awaited. He further submitted that the entire prosecution case rests on circumstantial evidence.

6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the period of incarceration and the fact that the entire prosecution case rests on circumstantial evidence, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioners.

7. Accordingly, the Criminal Original Petition is ordered. The petitioners are directed to be released on bail on their executing 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 learned Judicial Magistrate, Nanguneri, Tirunelveli District and on further conditions that:

[a] 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 shall appear before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., until further orders.

[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



[f] 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, NANGUNERI,
TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT.
2. DO-THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT.
3. THE OFFICER INCHARGE,
WOMEN SUB JAIL, KOKKARAKULAM,
TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT.
4. THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
MOOLAKARAIPATTY POLICE STATION,
TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT.
5. THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT,
MADURAI.

ORDER
IN
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