



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 26.08.2021

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PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice B.PUGALENDHI

CRL OP(MD)No.12262 of 2021

1. M.Selva Muthu

2. V.Ariraman

... Petitioners/Accused

Vs

State rep.by

The Sub-Inspector of Police,

Austinpatti Police Station,

Madurai District.

(Crime No.234/2021).

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioners : M/s.R.Balamuruganantham, Advocate

For Respondent : M/s.P.Kottai Chamy,
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

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

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.234 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 offence punishable under Sections 379 IPC r/w 21(4) of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957, in Crime No.234 of 2021, seek anticipatory bail.

2.The prosecution case is that the petitioners have illegally transported three units of crusher waste sand, without any valid permission. Hence, the complaint.

3.Learned Counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocents and have not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. However, a false case has been foisted as against them and therefore, prays for grant of anticipatory bail.

4.Learned Government Advocate(Crl.side) appearing for the respondent police submitted that the petitioners have illegally



transported three units of crusher waste sand and on the complaint of the Police officials, the case was registered. He further submitted that no previous case is pending as against the petitioners.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, nature of mineral involved and the antecedent of the petitioners, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

6. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is allowed and 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 learned Judge, Special Court for Mines and Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act cases, Madurai, 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 learned Judge 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 Judge 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 daily at 10.30 am., until further orders.

[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]**.

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

Sd/-
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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 Judge,
Special Court for Mines and Minerals
(Development & Regulation) Act Cases,
Madurai.
- 2.The Sub-Inspector of Police,
Austinpatti Police Station,
Madurai.
- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.

ORDER

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