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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 20/10/2021

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice B.PUGALENDHI

CRL OP(MD) . No.15433 of 2021

Muniyammal

... Petitioner/Accused No.1

Vs

State rep.by
The Inspector of Police,
Sattur Taluk Police Station,
Virudhunagar District.
(Crime No.193 of 2021).

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : M/s.Mahalakshmi.S, 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.193 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 Section 294(b) of IPC r/w Section 4 of the Prohibition of Charging Exorbitant Interest Act, 2003, in Crime No.193 of 2021, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the defacto complainant borrowed a sum of Rs.10,000/- from the petitioner. Due to financial crisis, the defacto complainant did not repay the amount. However, the petitioner along with the other accused threatened the defacto complainant claiming exorbitant interest. Therefore, the present case came to be registered.



3.The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and she has been falsely implicated in this case. Therefore, he prayed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4.The learned Government Advocate(Crl.side) appearing for the respondent police submitted that the co-accused has been granted anticipatory bail by this Court in Crl.O.P.(MD).No.14440 of 2021 on 06.10.2021.

5.Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the nature of allegation levelled against the petitioner, and that the co-accused has been granted anticipatory bail by this Court, 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 her 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, Sattur, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five 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 the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., until further orders.

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

[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.IV)
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai - 625 023.

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TO

1. THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE NO.II,
SATTUR.
2. -DO- THROUGH
THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
VIRUDHUNAGAR DISTRICT AT SRIVILLIPUTHUR.
3. THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
SATTUR TALUK POLICE STATION,
VIRUDHUNAGAR DISTRICT.
4. THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT,
MADURAI.

ORDER
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