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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 26/10/2021

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice B.PUGALENDHI

CRL OP(MD) . No.16340 of 2021

Karthikeyan ... Petitioner/Accused

Vs

The state represented by
The Inspector of Police,
Thiruneelakudi Police Station
Thanjavur District
Crime No.724 of 2021 ... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.B.Prahalad Ravi,
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.T.Senthil Kumar,
Additional Public Prosecutor

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

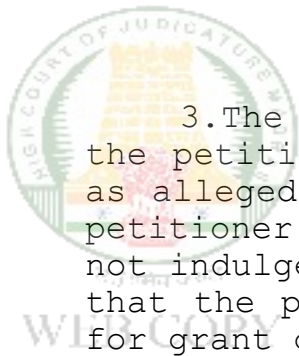
PRAYER :-

For Bail in Crime No. 724 of 2021 on the file of the respondent police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner/accused, who was arrested on 01.10.2021 for the offence under Sections 4(1)(aa) and 4(1-A) of Tamil Nadu Prohibition Act, in Crime.No.724 of 2021 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner was found in illegal possession 30 liters of arrack and 200 numbers of TASMAL 180 ml brandy bottles. Hence, the complaint.



3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is an innocent and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. However, to show his bona fide, the petitioner is ready to file an undertaking affidavit that he will not indulge in any other offences in future. He would further submit that the petitioner is in jail from 01.10.2021 and hence, he seeks for grant of bail.

4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent police would submit that that the petitioner is not having any adverse antecedent of similar in nature. He would further submit that the investigation in this case is yet to be completed.

5.Taking into consideration of the facts and circumstances of the case, the nature of allegation levelled as against the petitioner, his antecedents, the fact that the petitioner is ready to file an undertaking affidavit and also the period of incarceration, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner.

6. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his executing 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 District Munsif Cum Judicial Magistrate, Thiruvidadaimaruthur and on further condition 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 Aadhaar card or bank pass book to ensure their identity.

[b] the petitioner shall file an undertaking affidavit before the respondent police as well as before the trial Court that he will not indulge in any other offences in future.

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

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

[e] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial.

[f] 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 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]**.



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

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TO

- 1 THE DISTRICT MUNSIF CUM JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
THIRUVIDAIMARUTHUR.
- 2 DO THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
THANJAVUR DISTRICT AT KUMBAKONAM.
- 3 THE OFFICER INCHARGE,
SUB JAIL, KUMBAKONAM.
- 4 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE
THIRUNEELAKUDI POLICE STATION,
THANJAVUR DISTRICT.
- 5 THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT, MADURAI.

ORDER
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