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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

( Criminal Jurisdiction )

Date : 16/11/2021

PRESENT

**The Hon`ble Mr.Justice K.MURALI SHANKAR**

**CRL OP(MD) . No.17805 of 2021**

1. Gurumoorthy
2. Muthumari
3. Muthu
4. Shanmugam

... Petitioners 1-4/  
Accused 1-4

Vs

State rep.by  
The Inspector of Police,  
Valinokkam Police Station,  
Ramanathapuram District.  
(Crime No.96 of 2021).

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioners: M/s.K.Veerapandi Selvaraj, Advocate  
for Mr.K.Appadurai, Advocate.

For Respondent : M/s.S.S.Madhavan,  
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

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

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.96 of 2021 on the file of the respondent Police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioners/Accused Nos.1 to 4, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 294(b), 323, 324 IPC r/w Section 4 of Tamil Nadu Prohibition of Harassment of Women Act, in Crime No.96 of 2021, seek anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that there was pathway dispute between the parties, due to that, on 30.12.2021, at about 06.00PM,



the petitioners had abused the *defacto* complainant with filthy language and assaulted her with axe. Hence, the complaint.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioners would submit that the petitioners are innocents and not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He would also submit that civil suit is pending between the parties and that the petitioners are not having any previous case and injured was discharged from the hospital.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent would submit that there was pathway dispute between the parties and investigation is not yet completed. He would further submit that injured was discharged from the hospital and petitioners are not having any previous case.

5.Considering the facts that there existed pathway dispute between the parties, that injured was discharged from the hospital, that except the offence under Section 4 of Tamil Nadu Prohibition of Harassment of Women Act, all other offences are bailable in nature and that the petitioners are not having any previous case of similar or serious offence, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners with certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, 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 District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Kadaladi, 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 respondent Police or to the Police Officer, who intends to arrest or 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 Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity;

(b)the petitioners shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 am for a period of one month and thereafter, as and when required for interrogation.

(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 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]**; and;

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

Sd/-

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

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TO

1. THE DISTRICT MUNSIF CUM  
JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, KADALADI.
2. -DO- THROUGH  
THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,  
RAMANATHAPURAM DISTRICT.
3. THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,  
VALINOKKAM POLICE STATION,  
RAMANATHAPURAM DISTRICT.
4. THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,  
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT,  
MADURAI.

+1. CC to M/S.APPADURAI.K. Advocate SR.No.34796

ORDER

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