



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

Date : 29/11/2021

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice K.MURALI SHANKAR

CRL OP(MD). No.18663 of 2021

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1. Muthukumar
2. Lingam @ Lingam Suresh
3. Somasundaram
4. Uchimahali

... Petitioners/Accused No.1 to 4

Vs

State through
The Inspector of Police,
Thattaramadam Police Station,
Thoothukudi District.
(In Crime No. 194 of 2021).

... Respondent

For Petitioner : Mr.Alagumani.R,
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.RMS.Sethuraman,
Additional Public Prosecutor

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

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No. 194 of 2021 on the file of the Respondent police.

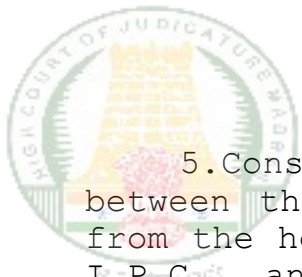
ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

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 and 506(ii) I.P.C., and Section 4 of Tamil Nadu Prohibition of Harassment of Woman Act 2002, in Cr.No.194 of 2021, seek anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that due to pathway dispute, there was a wordy quarrel between the parties and the petitioners allegedly attacked and criminally intimidated the defacto complainant. Hence, the present complaint.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioners would submit that the petitioners are innocent and a false case has been foisted against them. Hence, he seeks anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

4.The learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the State would submit that there existed pathway dispute between the parties, that the injured has already been discharged from the hospital and that the petitioners have no previous case.



5. Considering the facts that there existed pathway dispute between the parties, that the injured has already been discharged from the hospital and that except the offence under Section 506(ii) I.P.C., and Section 4 of TNPHW, other offences are bailable in nature and also considering the fact that the petitioners are not having any previous cases for similar offences or for any other serious offences, as stated by the learned Additional Public Prosecutor, 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 their arrest or their appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned Judicial Magistrate, Sathankulam, 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 condition 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 a.m., for 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 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]**; and;

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

Sd/-

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TO

1. THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, SATHANKULAM.
2. DO THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
THOOTHUKUDI DISTRICT.
3. THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
THATTARAMADAM POLICE STATION,
THOOTHUKUDI DISTRICT.
4. THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT, MADURAI.

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