



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 21.01.2022

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MRS.JUSTICE T.V.THAMILSELVI

Cr1.O.P.No.475 of 2022

Prabakaran @ Prabakar

...Petitioner

Vs.

The State Represented by
The Sub Inspector of Police,
CSCID Police Station,
Salem District.
(Crime No.150 of 2021)

... Respondent

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 438 of Cr.P.C.,
praying to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of his arrest
by the respondent police concerned in crime No.150 of 2021, on the
file of the respondent Police.

For Petitioner : Mr.N.Vijaya Baskar

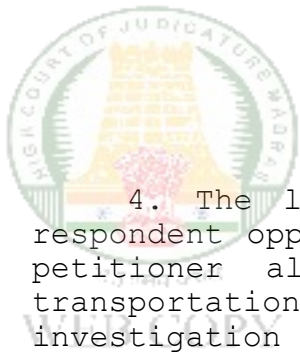
For Respondent : Mr.A.Gokulakrishnan,
Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offence under Sections 6(4) of TN Scheduled Commodities (RDCS) Order, 1982, r/w 7(1) (a) (ii) of Essential Commodities Act, 1955, in Crime No.150 of 2021, on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that when the respondent police were carrying out their daily patrol relating to Essential Commodities Smuggling and hoarding, they found the petitioner along with other accused was involved in illegal transportation of 1700 kgs of PDS rice. Hence, the respondent police registered the case against the petitioner.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. Hence, he prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.



4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent opposed for granting anticipatory bail by stating that the petitioner along with other accused was involved in illegal transportation of 1700 kgs of PDS rice. He further submits that the investigation is almost completed.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and also the submissions made by both counsel and the investigation is almost completed, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen (15) days after lifting of lockdown or the commencement of the Court's normal functioning whichever is earlier, before the learned Judicial Magistrate Court No.II, Salem District, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only), with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the respondent police or the police officer who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned and on further condition that:

[a] the petitioner and the sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the surety bond and the Court concerned may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity;

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday at 5.00 p.m for a period of four weeks and thereafter as and when required for an interrogation;

[d] the petitioner shall not tamper with 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 petitioner in accordance with law as if the conditions has been imposed and the petitioner is 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;



[g] if the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229-A IPC;

-sd/-

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This order, on being produced, be punctually observed and carried into execution by all concerned

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Sub-Assistant Registrar (Statistics/C.S.)
High Court, Madras - 600 104.

TO

1 THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE NO.II,
SALEM DISTRICT.

2 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
SALEM DISTRICT (FOR INFORMATION).

3 THE SUB - INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
CSCID - POLICE STATION,
SALEM DISTRICT.

4 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

+1 CC to M/S.LAW VISION Advocate on payment of necessary charges
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