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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 31.01.2022

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THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE T.V.THAMILSELVI

CRL.O.P.No.1963 of 2022

Karthick @ Karthikeyan

... Petitioner

Versus

The State represented by
The Inspector of Police,
S.H.O. Nellikuppam Police Station,
Cuddalore District.
(Crime No.1474 of 2020)

... Respondent

Prayer:- Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of his arrest in concerned of an Crime No.1474 of 2020 on the file of the Inspector of Police, S.H.O. Nellikuppam Police Station, Cuddalore District.

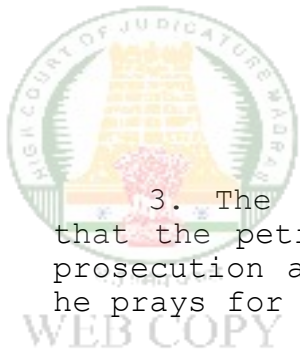
For Petitioner : Mr.K.Aravindraaj

For Respondent : Mr.N.S.Suganthan,
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offences under Section 21(1) of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 and Sections 307, 430 and 379 of IPC in Crime No.1474 of 2020, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the trial Court which has to decide whether one of the accused is the petitioner in the 2 accused ran away from the Mahindra Bolero pickup as stated in the FIR. When an original document is lost, we used to submit a xerox copy of it. But the submitted xerox copy resembles the original documents this can be acceptable in civil cases. But the respondent officials in many cases, when they are unable to trace the main and original accused, they used to arrest a previous offender in that particular area or some innocent persons who worked as a driver for the vehicle been put up in the case. Hence the complaint.



3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution and he has been falsely implicated in this case. Hence, he prays for grant of anticipatory bail.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent submitted that the petitioner seized 1 unit of river sand without permission. However, he vehemently opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, the petitioner is directed 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 - I, Cuddalore 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, failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed and on further condition that:

[a] the petitioner is directed to deposit a sum of Rs.5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only) to the credit of the Registered Advocate Clerk Association, Cuddalore District within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and shall produce the said receipt before the Court below.

[b] 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 Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity.

[c] the petitioner is directed to report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., until further orders;

[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 have been



imposed and the petitioner released on anticipatory 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 229A IPC.

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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-I,
CUDDALORE DISTRICT.

2 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE
CUDDALORE [FOR INFORMATION]

3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
S.H.O. NELLIKUPPAM,
POLICE STATION, CUDDALORE DISTRICT.

4 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

5 THE REGISTERED
ADVOCATE CLERK ASSOCIATION,
CUDDALORE DISTRICT.

CC to M/S.V.VIVEK Advocate on payment of necessary charges

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Date :31/01/2022

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