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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 03.02.2022

CORAM:

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

Crl.O.P.No.2436 of 2022

Raja

...Petitioner

Vs.

The State rep by
The Inspector of Police,
North Police Station
Erode & District
(Crime No.739 of 2021)

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition has been filed under Section 439 of Cr.P.C. praying to enlarge the petitioner on bail pending investigation, in Crime No.739 of 2021 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.Karthik

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

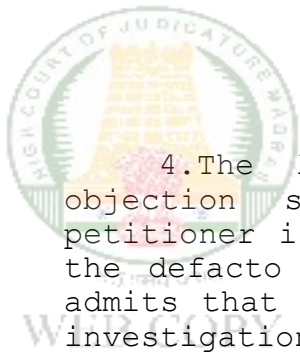
ORDER

(The case has been heard through video conference)

The petitioner who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 28.12.2021 for the offences under **Sections 120(B), 341, 364(A), 506(i) of IPC**, in Crime No.739 of 2021, on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on 25.11.2021, the petitioner along with seven other accused kidnapped the defacto complainant for ransom and released him after receiving a sum of Rs.15 lakhs. Hence, the complaint.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution and a false case has been foisted against him and that the petitioner has been suffering incarceration for more than 35 days from 28.12.2021. Hence, he would pray for grant of bail to the petitioner.



4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) would raise objection stating there are totally 8 accused in this case and the petitioner is arrayed as A3 and he along with other accused followed the defacto complainant and kidnapped him and extracted money but admits that there is no previous case against the petitioner and the investigation is almost completed.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and the fact that there is no previous case against the petitioner and the investigation is almost completed and also considering the period of incarceration undergone by the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

(a) Accordingly, the petitioner is directed to **deposit a sum of Rs.2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Only) to the credit of Crime No.739 of 2021 and on proof of such deposit, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on executing his own bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand only), before the Superintendent of the concerned prison, in which the petitioner has been confined and thereafter on his release;**

(b) the petitioner shall execute **two sureties for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) each, before the Learned Judicial Magistrate-I, Erode, within 15 days from the date of commencement of the Court's normal functioning, failing which the bail granted by this Court shall stand dismissed automatically;**

(c) the sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the surety bond and the learned Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar Card or Bank Pass Book to ensure their identity;

(d) **the petitioner shall report before the respondent police on every Saturday at 10.30 a.m. until further orders.**

(e) the petitioner shall not commit any offences of similar nature;

(f) the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

(g) the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;



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(h) on breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Judicial 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];

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

6.With the above directions, this Criminal Original Petition is ordered.

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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.I, ERODE.

2 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE
ERODE. [FOR INFORMATION]

3 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

4 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
NORTH POLICE STATION,
ERODE DISTRICT.

5 THE SUPERINTENDENT,
CENTRAL PRISON, GOBICHETTIPALAYA.

+1 CC to M/S C.VASUDEVAN Advocate on payment of necessary charges SR.NO.1780

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