



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 04.02.2022

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THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE T.V.THAMILSELVI

CRL.O.P.No.2563 of 2022

Mangaram

... Petitioner

Versus

State represented by
The Inspector of Police,
Shevapet Police Station,
Salem District.
(Crime No.474 of 2021)

... 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 Crime No.474 of 2021 on the file of the Inspector of Police, Shevapet Police Station, Salem District.

For Petitioner : Mr.B.Vasudevan

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

ORDER

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offences under Sections 273, 328, 511 of IPC and Sections 57, 59 of Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 and Sections 6 and 24(1) of Cigarette and other Tobacco Products Act 2003, in Crime No.474 of 2021, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on 26.09.2021 in front of RSSR Tea shop, Shanmuga Junction, Shevapet, on vehicle check, the defacto complainant stopped a Bolero pickup van, found that A1 Jayakumar, driver of the vehicle, confessed that A1 was in possession of illegal possession of banned tobacco products, namely 3 bags of Hans packets each weighed 30 kg, one polythene bag of VI.TOBACCO packets weighed 2 kg, one polythene bag of Vimal Pan masala packets weighed 18 kg, defacto complainant and his party arrested A1, he confessed that he purchased banned tobacco products from one Parasji



(A2) from Bangalore, on instruction from the petitioner (owner of the vehicle) and transported to Salem for selling purpose. Hence this case.

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 Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent submitted that the petitioner seized so many products. 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 No.3, Salem, 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.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) to the credit of the Registered Advocate Clerk Association, Salem 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 on every Sunday 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,
NO.3, SALEM.

2 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
SALEM [FOR INFORMATION].

3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
SHEVAPET POLICE STATION,
SALEM DISTRICT

4 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

5 THE REGISTERED ADVOCATE
CLERKS ASSOCIATION, SALEM DISTRICT.

CC to B.VASUDEVAN Advocate on payment of necessary charges

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