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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 06.04.2022

CORAM:

THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE R.PONGIAPPAN

Crl.M.P.Nos.4473 and 4469 of 2022

in Crl.R.C.No.433 of 2022

T.M.Krishna Kumar

...Petitioner /
Accused
[in both Crl.M.Ps]

versus

N.Kaliappan

...Respondent /
Complainant
[in both Crl.M.Ps]

COMMON PRAYER: Criminal Miscellaneous Petitions have been filed under Sections 397 (1) & 482 of Cr.P.C., praying to suspend the sentence imposed on the petitioner by the learned Judicial Magistrate, Fast Track Court No.2, Coimbatore, in C.C.No.372 of 2017 dated 04.06.2019, by confirming the judgment passed by the learned IV Additional District and Sessions Judge, Coimbatore, in C.A.No.204 of 2019 dated 12.01.2022 and enlarge the petitioner and to exempt the petitioner from surrendering before the trial Court.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.R.Ramesh Kumar
[in both Crl.M.Ps]

C O M M O N O R D E R

These Criminal Miscellaneous Petitions have been filed by the petitioner/accused, seeking suspension of sentence imposed upon the petitioner in C.A.No.204 of 2019 dated 12.01.2022 by the learned IV Additional District and Sessions Judge, Coimbatore, by confirming the judgment and sentence passed in C.C.No.372 of 2017 dated 04.06.2019 by the learned Judicial Magistrate, Fast Track Court No.2, Coimbatore and enlarge the petitioner on bail and seeking to exempt the petitioner from surrendering before the trial court.

2. The petitioner herein is the accused in C.C.No.372 of 2017 on the file of the learned Judicial Magistrate, Fast Track Court No.2, Coimbatore. He was found guilty of the offence under Section 138 of NI Act and he has been convicted and sentenced as under:



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Offence	Sentence
Section 138 of NI Act	Simple Imprisonment for a period of 6 months and to pay Rs.36,00,000/- as compensation to the complainant with interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the date of cheque within one month from the date of judgment, in default, to undergo Simple Imprisonment for 3 months

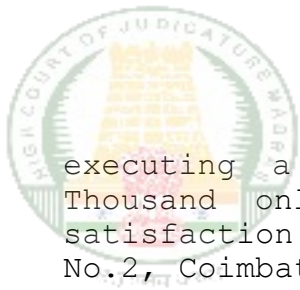
Aggrieved against the same, the petitioner had filed appeal in C.A.No.204 of 2019 and the learned IV Additional District and Sessions Judge, Coimbatore, by order dated 12.01.2022 had dismissed the appeal and confirmed the conviction and sentence, against which the present revision has been filed.

3. According to the learned counsel for the petitioner/accused, there are arguable points available in the Criminal Revision Case and the petitioner/accused has got a fair chance of succeeding in the Criminal Revision Case and hence, the substantive sentence imposed against the petitioner/accused may be suspended and the petitioner may be exempted from surrendering before the trial Court. He would submit that the petitioner is ready to abide the condition imposed by this Court.

4. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and also perused the materials placed on record.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, also considering the submissions of the learned counsel for the petitioner, further this revision is not likely to be taken for final hearing in the near future, this Court is of the view that the substantive sentence of imprisonment alone can be suspended on certain conditions. Accordingly, till the disposal of the Criminal Revision case, the reliefs of suspension of sentence, exemption from surrendering and bail are granted on the following conditions:

(a) Since the petitioner had already deposited Rs.7,20,000/- of the cheque amount in compliance with the order passed by the trial Court, he is directed to deposit further Rs.10,80,000/- [Rupees Ten Lakhs Eighty Thousand only] of the cheque amount to the credit of C.C.No.372 of 2017 before the trial court i.e. the learned Judicial Magistrate, Fast Track Court No.2, Coimbatore, within a period of three weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and on such deposit being made, the trial Court shall redeposit the said amount in a fixed deposit account in any nationalized bank, so that the amount accrues interest. The disbursal of this amount shall be decided at the culmination of the criminal revision case. Thereafter, the petitioner/accused is ordered to be released on bail, on his



executing a bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Judicial Magistrate, Fast Track Court No.2, Coimbatore;

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(b) The petitioner/accused and the sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impressions in the surety bonds and the Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhaar Cards or Bank Pass Books to ensure their identities; and

(c) The petitioner shall appear before the Trial Court on the first working day of every English Calendar month at 10.30 a.m., until the disposal of the appeal and if he is not able to appear before the trial Court on any day, he shall make arrangements to file an application under Section 317 Cr.P.C. and shall appear before the trial Court on any other day in lieu of the date of his absence, as directed by the trial Court.

6. With the above directions, these Criminal Miscellaneous Petitions are ordered.

7. Post these matters on 29.04.2022 "for reporting compliance".

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

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1 THE IV ADDITIONAL DISTRICT AND
SESSIONS JUDGE, COIMBATORE.

2 THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
FAST TRACK COURT, NO.II, COIMBATORE.

3 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE
COIMBATORE. [FOR INFORMATION]

4 THE SECTION OFFICER,
CRIMINAL SECTION,
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.



C.C. to M/S. K.R.RAMESH KUMAR Advocate on payment of necessary charges

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Order

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