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CrI.OP.No.16488 of 2022

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 15.07.2022

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE **G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN**

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Sridhar @ Adu Sridhar

....Petitioner

Vs.

The State rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
K-8 Arumbakkam Police Station,
Chennai.
Crime No.25 of 2019

...Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 439 of Cr.P.C. praying to enlarge the petitioner on bail pending committal in P.R.C.No.177 of 2019 on the file of learned V Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai in Crime No.25 of 2019 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.G.Manju

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



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ORDER

The petitioner was arrested on 07.06.2022, on execution of Non-Bailable Warrant issued by the learned **V Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai** for the offence under Sections **341, 302 and 506(ii)** of **IPC** pending committal in **P.R.C.No.177 of 2019** in respect of **crime No.25 of 2019** on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. It is the case of the prosecution that the petitioner has been arrayed as an accused in Crime No.25 of 2019 under Sections **341, 302 and 506(ii)** of **IPC** and after filing final report, the same was pending for committal in P.R.C. No.177 of 2019 before the learned **V Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai**. Thereafter, the petitioner did not appear before the lower Court regularly. Hence, the lower Court has issued Non-Bailable Warrant against the petitioner on 13.03.2020. Thereafter, the petitioner was arrested on 21.12.2021.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit



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that the non-appearance before the lower Court by the petitioner is neither wilful nor wanton. However, he would also submit that the petitioner is ready to abide any condition as imposed by this Court and seeks for grant of bail to the petitioner.

4.The learned Additional Public Prosecutor would submit the lower Court has issued Non-Bailable Warrant against the petitioner on 13.03.2020. Thereafter, the petitioner was arrested on 21.12.2021. He would further submit that the case is pending for trial from the year 2019. Hence, he vehemently opposed to grant bail to the petitioner.

5. The petitioner was arrested and released on bail in crime No.25 of 2019. After completion of investigation, the respondent filed final report and the same was pending for committal in P.R.C. No.177 of 2019 before the learned **V Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai.** However, the petitioner was absent before the trial court. As such, Non Bailable Warrant was issued against him and the same was executed and they were remanded to judicial custody.

6.Considering the above facts and circumstances of the case and



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also the period of incarceration by the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner.

7. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on their executing 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 **V Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai** and on further conditions that:

[a] 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.

[b] the petitioner shall report before committal Court viz., **V Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai** twice daily at 10.30 a.m and 05.30 p.m. until further orders;

[c] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial.

[d] the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial.



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[e] 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 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]**.

[f] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229A IPC.

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To

1. V Metropolitan Magistrate,
Egmore, Chennai
- 2 .The Inspector of Police,
K-8 Arumbakkam Police Station,
Chennai.
3. Central Prison,
Puzhal, Chennai.
- 4.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras

G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN, J.



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