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G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN, J.

The petitioner who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offence punishable under Section 20(b)(ii)(A) r/w Section 8(c) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, Section 34 of IPC and Section 77 of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015, in Crime No.205 of 2022, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on 10.11.2021, based on the secret information, the respondent went to the place of occurrence and arrested A1 to A2 along with 220 Kg of ganja. On enquiry, it came to know that the petitioner also involved in the said crime. Hence the complaint.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and no way connected with the alleged offence. He would further submit that on the confession statement given by the co-accused, the petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case. Hence he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.



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4. The learned Public Prosecutor(Pondy) submits that the petitioner and others involved in the illegal traffic of ganja and the petitioner only gave the contraband to the other accused. He further submitted that the investigation is not yet completed and if the petitioner is granted anticipatory bail, there is a possibility that he will tamper the witnesses and hamper the investigation. Hence, he vehemently opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Taking into consideration the nature of allegations and also the fact that the case is in the initial stage of the investigation and that the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is essential, this Court is not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

6. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is dismissed.

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