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G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN, J.

The petitioner apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offence punishable under Sections 4(1)(a) read with 4(1-A) of TNP Act, in Crime No.386 of 2022, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner was found in possession of 40 litres of I.D. Arrack illegally. 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. Hence he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor submits 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. He would further submit that there are four similar previous cases pending against the petitioner and hence he vehemently opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.



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5. Taking into consideration the allegations and also the bad antecedent of the petitioner and 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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