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The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 09.09.2021 for the alleged offence under Sections 120(b), 419, 420, 409, 467, 468, 471 I.P.C. and 13(1)(a) r/w 13(2) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 in Crime No.RC0322020A0006 of 2020 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the defacto complainant lodged a complaint before the respondent police stating that the petitioner along with other accused persons committed fraud, forgery, impersonation, fabrication of false documents and committed fraudulent transactions and cheated the term deposits and current account standing the name of M/s.Chennai Port Trust General Insurance Fund with the help of employees of Indian Bank, Koyambedu Branch and caused wrongful loss of public money to the extent of Rs.45 crores. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing for petitioner would submit that this is the second petition seeking for bail. He would submit that the charge

sheet was filed and the charge sheet was filed on the allegation that the petitioner has collected beneficiary account details from A7 and he had received the case, which was delivered in Chennai after it was withdrawn from the first link beneficiaries account and some of the alleged cheques of purported current account were filled by the petitioner for withdrawal/transfer of cash from the fake current account. Thus, as per the charge sheet, he played a minor role. Hence, he prayed to grant bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Special Government Pleader appearing for respondent submitted that the investigation was completed and the charge sheet was filed and from the perusal of offence, the petitioner played major role along with A1 and A2 and he opened a fake account for withdrawal of cash, which comes around Rs.45 crores. Therefore, if he is released on bail, he would tamper the witness and hamper the trial proceedings.

5. On perusal of records, it would reveals that the charge sheet was filed against 30 accused and the amount is involved for more than Rs.45 crores belong to Chennai Port Trust. As per the brief history of the case, by

opening a fake account, amount was transferred and all the accused were colluded and benefited. Therefore, there must be tampering evidence and hamper the trial proceedings. Now, the case is posted for furnishing of copies. Therefore, this Court is not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition stands dismissed.

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