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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 07.09.2022

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE **A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA**

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K.Ponramesh

... Petitioner

Vs.

The State represented by,
The Inspector of Police,
Sulur Police Station,
Coimbatore District.
Crime No.467 of 2022

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 439 of Cr.P.C.,
pleaded to enlarge the petitioner on bail in connection with the Crime No.467
of 2022 pending on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.V.Janarthanan

For Respondent : Mr.C.E.Pratap
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)



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ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 07.08.2022 for the offences punishable under Section 328 of IPC and Section 24(1) of Cigarette and Other Tobacco Products Act, 2003 in Crime No.467 of 2022 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on 07.08.2022, when the respondent police were on patrol duty, the petitioner was found in possession of 250 kgs of banned tobacco products of various brands. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is innocent and he has been falsely implicated in this case. However, he would also submit that without prejudice, the petitioner is prepared to deposit a sum of Rs.50,000/- to any Welfare Scheme of the Government. Hence, he prays for grant of bail to the petitioner.



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4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent would submit that the petitioner was found in possession of 250 kgs of banned tobacco products of various brands. He would also submit that the petitioner has one previous case of similar nature as against him. Therefore, he vehemently opposed to grant bail to the petitioner.

5. Heard both the learned counsel and perused the materials available on record including the First Information Report.

6. Taking into consideration of the facts and circumstances of the case and the submissions made by the learned counsel and also taking note of the fact that the petitioner has come forward to deposit an amount of Rs.50,000/- to any Welfare scheme of the Government, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner.

7. Accordingly, the petitioner shall deposit a sum of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only) by way of Demand Draft to the **Dean,**



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Government Coimbatore Medical College Hospital, Coimbatore, and on
such deposit, the petitioner 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, Sulur, 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 the
respondent Police daily at 10.30 a.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;

[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



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in **P.K.Shaji vs. State of Kerala [(2005)AIR SCW 5560]**;

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

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To

1. The Judicial Magistrate, Sulur.
2. The Inspector of Police,
Sulur Police Station,
Coimbatore District.
3. The Central Prison,
Coimbatore.
4. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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