



Crl.OP.No.21684 of 2022

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 09.09.2022

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

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Sivakumar

... Petitioner

Vs.

The State represented by,
The Inspector of Police,
Harithuvaramangalam Police Station,
Thiruvarur District.

(Crime No.143/2022).

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 439 of Cr.P.C.,
pleased to enlarge the petitioner on bail in connection with the Crime No.143
of 2022 pending investigation on the file of the respondent Police.

For Petitioner : Mr.Swamisubramanian

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 17.08.2022 for the offences punishable under Section 379 of IPC and Section 21(1) of Mines and Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957, in Crime No.143 of 2022 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on 17.08.2022, while the respondent Police was on their routine patrol duty, the petitioner was found in illegal transportation of quarter unit of river sand by using his bullock cart, without any valid license. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is an innocent person. He would further submit that there is no previous case against the petitioner. He would also submit that without prejudice, the petitioner is prepared to deposit a sum of Rs.20,000/- to any welfare scheme of the Government and he prays for grant of bail to the petitioner. Hence, he prays to grant bail to the petitioner.



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4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent would submit that on 17.08.2022, while the respondent Police was on their routine patrol duty, found the petitioner in illegal transportation of quarter unit of sand by using Bullock Cart, without any valid license. He would further submit that there is no previous case against the petitioner. However, he opposed to grant bail to the petitioner.

5. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) for the respondent and perused the materials available on record.

6. Taking into consideration the facts of the case and the submissions made by the learned counsel and also taking note of the fact that the petitioner has prepared to deposit Rs.20,000/- to any welfare scheme of the Government, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.



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7. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on condition to make a non refundable deposit of Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand only) by way of Demand Draft/RTGS/NEFT to the credit of the District Mineral Foundation Trust concerned, without prejudice to his rights and contentions before the trial Court, **on such** deposit and production of proof, 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**, for a like sum to the satisfaction of the **learned District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Needamangalam**, 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;



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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 abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229A IPC.

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To

1. The District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate,
Needamangalam.
2. The Inspector of Police,
Harithuvaramangalam Police Station,
Thiruvavur District.
3. The Sub Jail,
Mannargudi.
4. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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