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A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA, J.

The petitioners who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 294(b), 323 & 353 of IPC in Crime No.205 of 2022 on the file of the respondent police, seek anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on account of a rivalry in respect of the timings of the bus between the Government and Private bus drivers, the petitioners have abused and intimidated the passengers of the *de-facto* complainant's bus and also attacked the *de-facto* complainant. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioners would submit that the petitioners are innocent persons and they have not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. Hence, he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners.



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4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.side) appearing for the respondent would submit that on account of a rivalry in respect of the timings of the bus between the Government and Private bus drivers, the petitioners have abused and intimidated the passengers of the *de-facto* complainant's bus and also attacked the *de-facto* complainant. He would further submit that there is no previous case pending as against the petitioners. However, he vehemently opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

5. Heard the learned counsel. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners with certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before the **learned J.M., No.II, Thiruppathur**, on condition that each of the



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petitioners shall execute a separate 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 respondent police or the police officer who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned, failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed and on further condition that:

[a] the petitioners and 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 petitioners shall report before the respondent police everyday at 5.30 p.m., until further orders.

[c] the petitioners shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial.

[d] the petitioners shall not abscond 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 petitioners in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioners 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 absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229A IPC.

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