



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 03.01.2022

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THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE T.V.THAMILSELVI

CrI.O.P.No.25425 of 2021

Ajithkumar @ Ajith

... Petitioner

Versus

State rep by
The Inspector of Police,
Arani Taluk Police Station,
Thiruvannamalai District.
(Crime No.3537 of 2020)

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of his arrest in Crime No.3537 of 2020 pending investigation on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.G.P.Sivakumar

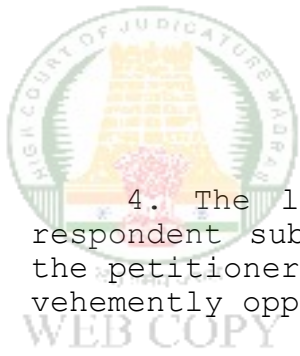
For Respondent : Mr.A.Gokulakrishnan
Additional Public Prosecutor

ORDER

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offences punishable under Sections 379, 430 of IPC and Sec 21(1) Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, in Crime No.3537 of 2020, on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner had illegally transported $\frac{1}{4}$ unit of river sand by using bullock cart, without any valid permission. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. However, on instructions, the learned counsel further submitted that the petitioner, on his own volition, is ready and willing to contribute a sum of Rs.3,000/- to the Registered Advocate Clerk Association, Thiruvannamalai District. Hence, he prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.



4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent submitted that there is no previous case pending against the petitioner and the investigation is almost completed.. However, he vehemently opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the submission made by the learned Additional Public Prosecutor, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen (15) days after lifting of lockdown or the commencement of the Court's normal functioning whichever is earlier, before the learned Judicial Magistrate, Arani, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten 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 petitioner is directed to deposit a sum of Rs.3,000/- (Rupees Three Thousand only) to the credit of the Registered Advocate Clerk Association, Thiruvannamalai District, within a period of fifteen (15) days after lifting of lockdown or the commencement of the Court's normal functioning whichever is earlier and shall produce the said receipt before the Court below.

[b] the petitioner 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.

[c] the petitioner is directed to report before the respondent police on every Wednesday at 10.30 a.m., until further orders. .

[d] the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial.

[e] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial.



[f] 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].

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

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This order, on being produced, be punctually observed and carried into execution by all concerned

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Sub-Assistant Registrar (Statistics/C.S.)
High Court, Madras - 600 104.

TO

1 THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
ARANI.

2 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE
THIRUVANNAMALAI [FOR INFORMATION].

3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
ARANI TALUK POLICE STATION,
THIRUVANNAMALAI DISTRICT

4 THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR
HIGH COURT, MADRAS.

5 THE REGISTERED ADVOCATE,
CLERK ASSOCIATION, THIRUVANNAMALAI DISTRICT.

+1 CC to M/S.G.P.SIVAKUMAR Advocate on payment of necessary charges SR.NO.188

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