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Crl.O.P.No.25541 of 2022

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 19.10.2022

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

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Veeramani

... Petitioner

Vs.

The State Represented by
Inspector of Police,
Anupparpalayam Police Station,
Tiruppur District.
(Crime No.587 of 2022).

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 439 of Cr.P.C.,
pleased to enlarge the petitioner on bail concerned in Crime No.587 of 2022
on the file of the Inspector of Police, Anupparpalayam Police Station,
Tiruppur.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Kasirajan

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 20.08.2022 for the offences punishable under Section 366 of IPC, Sections 6 & 5(i) of POCSO Act read with Section 9 of Child Marriage Act in Crime No.587 of 2022 on the file of the respondent Police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution as per the *de-facto* complainant is that on 18.08.2022 her daughter aged about 17 years working in a private company after her work has left the company and has not returned to home. Hence, the complaint.

3. Learned Counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is an innocent person and without understanding the consequences and rigours of the Prevention of Child from Sexual Offences Act, had affair with the victim minor girl. He would further submit that the petitioner and the minor victim girl worked in the same Company and even as per the victim girl, she has stated in the 164 statement that they were having love affair. 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 there was a love affair between the petitioner and the victim girl, wherein they both had eloped. He would further submit that the 164 statement has also been recorded from the victim girl. Hence, he opposed for grant of 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 including the 164 statement recorded from the victim girl.

6. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case and the submissions made by the learned counsel and also taking note of the 164 statement recorded from the victim girl wherein, she had stated that there was a love affair between them, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner.

7. Accordingly, 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 (one among the sureties shall be either**



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father or mother of the petitioner), each for a like sum to the satisfaction of learned J.M. No 3, Tiruppur 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 everyday 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 J.M. No.3, Tiruppur.
2. The Inspector of Police,
Anupparpalayam Police Station,
Tiruppur District.
3. District Prison,
Tiruppur.
4. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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