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**A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA, J.**

The petitioner who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offence punishable under Sections 6(4) TN Scheduled Commodities (RDCS) Order, 1982 and 7(1)(a)(ii) of Essential Commodities Act 1955 in Crime No.209 of 2022 on the file of the respondent police, seek anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner is alleged to have had illegally transported 2000 Kgs of PDS rice worth about Rs.11,300/-. Hence the case.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has been falsely implicated in this case based on the confession statement of the co-accused. He would submit that without prejudice, petitioner is prepared



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to deposit a sum of Rs.10,000/- to any welfare scheme of the Government or to any shelter home and he prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent would submit that the petitioner had illegally transported 2000 Kgs of PDS rice worth about Rs.11,300/-. He would further submit that there is no previous case pending against the petitioner. However, he vehemently opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Heard the learned counsel. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and without prejudice, petitioner is undertaking to deposit a sum of Rs.10,000/- to any welfare scheme of the Government or to any shelter home, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

6. Accordingly, the petitioner is directed to deposit a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) as a non-refundable deposit by



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way of **Demand Draft/RTGS/NEFT to the "Light Social Welfare Trust, Canara Bank, Arumuganeri Branch, A/c.No.1102101018391, IFSC Code : CNRB0001102"** and on such deposit, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before the **learned Judicial Magistrate - III, Erode**, on condition that the petitioner shall execute 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 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 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.



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[b] the petitioner shall deposit a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) as non-refundable deposit by way of **Demand Draft/RTGS/NEFT to the "Light Social Welfare Trust, Canara Bank, Arumuganeri Branch, A/c.No.1102101018391, IFSC Code : CNRB0001102"** and the acknowledgement for the same shall be produced before the learned Magistrate at time of execution of bond.

[c] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police every day 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]**.



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

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