



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT
(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 21/02/2022

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice K.MURALI SHANKAR

CRL OP(MD). No.649 of 2022

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1.Ramasamy
2.Kaliraj

... Petitioners/Accused No.1 & 2

Vs

State Rep.by
The Inspector of Police,
Sivagiri Police Station,
Sivagiri,
Tirunelveli District.
Cr.No.2 of 2022.

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : M/s.Pragalathan.N.,
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.R.Sivakumar,
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.438 of Cr.P.C

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.2 of 2022 on the file of the Respondent police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioners/A1 and A2, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offence punishable under Section 379 (sand theft) of IPC, in Crime No.2 of 2022 on the file of the respondent police, seek anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioners have illegally transported four bags ($\frac{1}{4}$ unit) of Odai sand. Hence, the complaint.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioners would submit that the petitioners are innocents and they have been falsely implicated in this case. However, he would further submit that the petitioners without prejudice to their right, are ready to deposit the amount that may be imposed by this Court.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Crl. side) appearing for the respondent police would submit that the petitioners have transported four bags ($\frac{1}{4}$ unit) of Odai sand illegally. He would further submit that the petitioners are having no previous case.



5.Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the nature of the offence alleged, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners with certain conditions.

6.Accordingly, the petitioners shall pay a sum of Rs.2,500/- (Rupees Two Thousand and Five Hundred only) each to the credit of the District Mineral Foundation Trust, Tirunelveli District, without prejudice to their rights and contentions before the trial Court and produce the receipt/acknowledgment before the learned Judicial Magistrate Court, Sivagiri, Tirunelveli District.

7.On production of such receipt/acknowledgment, 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 of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned Judicial Magistrate Court, Sivagiri, Tirunelveli District, on condition that the petitioners shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) each with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned and on further conditions 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 Aadhaar card or bank pass book to ensure their identity.

[b]the petitioners shall report before respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., for a period of one month and thereafter, as and when required for interrogation.

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

[d]the petitioners shall not abscond 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 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 229-A IPC.

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Sub-Assistant Registrar (C.S.)
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai - 625 023.



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1 THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
SIVAGIRI, TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT.

2 DO THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT.

3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE
SIVAGIRI POLICE STATION,
SIVAGIRI,
TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT.

4 THE OFFICER INCHARGE,
DISTRICT MINERAL FOUNDATION TRUST,
TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT.

5 THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT,
MADURAI.

+1 CC to M/s.N.PRAGALATHAN, Advocate (SR-1362[I] dated 22/02/2022)

ORDER
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RS/PN/SAR.4 (25.02.2022) 3P-7C