



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

Date : 03.03.2022

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The Hon`ble Mr.Justice K.MURALI SHANKAR

CRL OP(MD) . No.3508 of 2022

Muthupandi

... Petitioner/Accused No.2

Vs

The State through
The Inspector of Police,
Usilampatty Police Station,
Madurai District.
(Crime No.175 of 2021)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.C.Senthil Murugan,
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.E.Antony Sahaya Prabahar,
Additional Public Prosecutor.

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

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.175 of 2021 on the file of the Respondent police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner/accused, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 8 (c) & 20(b)(ii)(B) of NDPS Act, in Crime No.175 of 2021, on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner and other accused persons were found in illegal possession of 1.200 kgs of Ganja. Hence, the complaint.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is innocent and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He would further submit that there was no recovery from the petitioner and that since the petitioner's mother was arrested for possession of 1.200 kgs of Ganja, the petitioner was also implicated falsely in this case.



4.The learned Additional Public Prosecutor would submit that there was no recovery from the petitioner, that the petitioner is not having any previous cases for similar offence and that charge sheet has been filed.

5.Considering the facts that there was no recovery from the petitioner, that investigation has already been completed and charge sheet has been filed and that the petitioner is not having any previous cases, 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 days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned Judicial Magistrate No.I, Usilampatti, 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 learned Magistrate concerned and on further conditions 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 Aadhaar card or bank pass book to ensure their identity.

[b]the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., for a period of thirty (30) days and thereafter, as and when required for interrogation.

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

[d]the petitioner 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 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]**.

[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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TO

1. THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE NO.I,
USILAMPATTI.
2. DO-THROUGH : THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
MADURAI DISTRICT.
3. THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
USILAMPATTY POLICE STATION,
MADURAI DISTRICT.
4. THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT, MADURAI.

ORDER
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