



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT
(Criminal Jurisdiction)
Date : 16.03.2022
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The Hon`ble Mr.Justice K.MURALI SHANKAR
CRL OP(MD) . No.4926 of 2022

1. Jeeva
2. Renganathan ... Petitioners/Accused Rank not known
Vs

State represented by
The Inspector of Police,
Viralimalai Police Station,
Pudukkottai District.
(Crime No.76 of 2022)

...Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioners: Mr.M.Suresh,
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.M.Muthumanikkam,
Government Advocate (Crl. Side).

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

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.76 of 2022 on the file of the Respondent police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioners/accused, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 5 and 7(3) of Lotteries Regulation Act, 1998, in Crime No.76 of 2022 on the file of the respondent police, seek anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the accused 1 was selling prohibited Kerala lottery tickets and the first accused gave a confession statement that the petitioners gave the lottery tickets to him and asked him to sell.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioners would submit that the petitioners are innocent and they have not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He would further submit that the petitioners were implicated only on the basis of the confession taken from the co-accused.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police would submit that the main accused 1 to 4 were already arrested and released on bail and that only based on the confession given by the co-accused, the petitioners were implicated.



5.Considering the above facts and also the facts that the accused 1 to 4 were already arrested and released on bail and that the petitioners are not having any previous cases for similar offence, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners with certain conditions.

6.Accordingly, 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, Illuppur, Pudukkottai 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 the 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 petitioners 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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TO

- 1 THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
ILLUPPUR, PUDUKKOTTAI DISTRICT.
- 2 DO THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
PUDUKKOTTAI DISTRICT.
- 3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE
VIRALIMALAI POLICE STATION,
PUDUKKOTTAI DISTRICT.
- 4 THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT, MADURAI.

ORDER
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