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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 05/04/2022

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice K.MURALI SHANKAR

CRL OP(MD) . No.6201 of 2022

Rajkumar

... Petitioner/Accused No.3

Vs

State rep.by
The Inspector of Police,
Manamelkudi Police Station,
Pudukkottai District
(Crime No.588 of 2021).

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : M/s.Sathya Chidambaram.S., Advocate.

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

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

PRAYER :-

For Bail in Crime No. 588 of 2021 on the file of the respondent police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner/accused No.3, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 379 IPC and Sections 21(1) and 21(2) of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, in Cr.No.588 of 2021, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner and other accused have illegally transported 2 ½ units of river sand. Hence, the complaint.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is innocent and he has been falsely implicated in this case. However, he would further submit that the petitioner, without prejudice to his right, is ready to deposit the amount that may be imposed by this Court.



4.The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police would submit that the petitioner and other accused have transported 2 ½ units of river sand illegally. He would further submit that the petitioner is having five previous cases, out of which, four cases were already disposed of.

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 petitioner with certain conditions.

6.Accordingly, the petitioner shall pay a sum of Rs.37,500/- (Rupees Thirty Seven Thousand and Five Hundred only) to the credit of the District Mineral Foundation Trust, Pudukkottai District, without prejudice to his rights and contentions before the trial Court and produce the receipt/acknowledgment before the Judicial Magistrate, Aranthangi, Pudukkottai District.

7.On production of such receipt/acknowledgment, 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 Judicial Magistrate, Aranthangi, Pudukkottai District, 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 respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., for a period of one month 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.I)
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai - 625 023.

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TO

1. THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
ARANTHANGI, PUDUKKOTTAI DISTRICT.
2. -DO- THROUGH
THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
PUDUKKOTTAI DISTRICT.
3. THE OFFICER INCHARGE,
THE DISTRICT MINERAL FOUNDATION TRUST,
PUDUKKOTTAI DISTRICT.
4. THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
MANAMELKUDI POLICE STATION,
PUDUKKOTTAI DISTRICT.
5. THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT,
MADURAI.

ORDER
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