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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 18/05/2022

PRESENT

The Hon'ble Mrs.Justice T.V.THAMILSELVI

CRL.OP(MD) .No.9227 of 2022

Mariappan

... Petitioner/Accused No.1

Vs.

State Rep.by
The Inspector of Police,
Puliyankudi Police Station,
Tenkasi District.
(Cr.No.179 of 2022)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.V.Sasikumar,
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.R.Meenakshi Sundaram,
Additional Public Prosecutor

PETITION FOR BAIL Under Sec.439 of Cr.P.C.

PRAYER :-

For Bail in Crime No.179 of 2022 on the file of the Respondent Police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner who was arrested on 25.04.2022 for the offences under Sections 6, 5(1), 17 of Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 and Section 9 & 10 of Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006, in Cr.No.179 of 2022, on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that when the defacto complainant enquired, it came to know that the victim girl was given marriage at the age of 16 years and she is sexually harassed. Hence, the complaint.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution.



4.The learned Additional Public Prosecutor for the respondent police objected for grant of bail and produced the copy of the statement of the victim girl recorded under Section 164 Cr.P.C.

5.On a perusal of the victim girl's statement, it is seen that it is a case of child marriage. The victim girl has been secured and she is in the custody of her parents and the petitioner is in judicial custody from 25.04.2022.

6.Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his executing 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 Sessions Court, Special Court for POCSO Act Cases, Tirunelveli.

(i)the sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the surety bond and the Magistrate/concerned court may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank Pass Book to ensure their identity;

(ii)the petitioner shall report before the respondent police as and when required for interrogation;

(iii)the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness;

(iv)the petitioner shall not abscond during trial;

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

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TO

- 1 THE SESSIONS JUDGE,
SPECIAL COURT FOR POCSO ACT CASES,
TIRUNELVELI.
- 2 THE SUPERINTENDENT,
CENTRAL PRISON,
TIRUNELVELI.
- 3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE
PULIYANKUDI POLICE STATION,
TENKASI DISTRICT.
- 4 THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT,
MADURAI.

ORDER
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RS/JM/SAR.2 (18.05.2022) 3P-5C