



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

Date : 13.06.2022

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice K.MURALI SHANKAR

CRL OP(MD). No.10372 of 2022

1. Saravanan
2. Nagarajan
3. Karuppaiyan @ Eliyan

... Petitioners/Accused 1 to 3

Vs

State represented by
The Inspector of Police,
Adirampattinam Police Station,
Thanjavur District.
(Crime No.306 of 2022)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioners : Mr.B.Anandan, Advocate.
For Respondent : Mr.P.Kottai Chamy,
Government Advocate (Crl.Side).

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

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.306 of 2022 on the file of the Respondent police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioners/A.1 to A.3, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Section 21(1) of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957, r/w Section 379 IPC, in Crime No.306 of 2022 on the file of the respondent police, seek anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that on 03.06.2022, the petitioners have illegally transported $\frac{3}{4}$ unit of river sand (each $\frac{1}{4}$ unit of river sand). Hence, the complaint.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioners would submit that the petitioners are innocent and they have been falsely implicated in this case. However, he would further submit that the petitioners, without prejudice to their 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 petitioners have transported $\frac{3}{4}$ unit of river sand illegally. He would further submit that the second petitioner is having two previous cases similar in nature and the petitioners 1 and 3 are not having any previous cases.



5.Considering the above and also the nature of the charges levelled against the petitioners, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners with certain conditions.

6.Accordingly, the petitioners 1 and 3 shall deposit a sum of **Rs.5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only)** each and the second petitioner shall deposit a sum of **Rs.15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Thousand only)** to the credit of the District Mineral Foundation Trust, Thanjavur District, without prejudice to their rights and contentions before the trial Court and produce the receipt/acknowledgment before the learned Judicial Magistrate, Pattukkottai.

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, Pattukkottai, 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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- 1 THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, PATTUKKOTTAI.
 - 2 DO THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
THANJAVUR DISTRICT AT KUMBAKONAM.
 - 3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE, ADIRAMPATTINAM POLICE STATION,
THANJAVUR DISTRICT.
 - 4 THE OFFICER INCHARGE, DISTRICT MINERAL FOUNDATION TRUST,
THANJAVUR DISTRICT.
 - 5 THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT, MADURAI.

ORDER
IN
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RS/PN/SAR.1 (17.06.2022) 3P-6C