



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

Date : 01/11/2022

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The Hon`ble Mr.Justice A.A.NAKKIRAN

CRL OP(MD) . No.19302 of 2022

S.Arockiyaraj

... Petitioner/Sole Accused

Vs

The State Rep. By,
The Inspector of Police,
Alwarkurichi Police Station,
Tenkasi District.
Cr.No.204/2022.

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : M/s. Balamurugan.S.,
Advocate.

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

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

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.204/2022 on the file of the Respondent police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner/Sole Accused, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Section 24(1) of Cigarette and Other Tobacco Products Act, 2003 in Crime No.204 of 2022, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner was in illegal possession of 159kg of Tobacco Products in his small shop. 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, the petitioner shall abide any condition imposed by this Court. Hence, he prays for anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police would submit that the petitioner was in illegal possession of 159kg of Tobacco Products worth about Rs.98,138/- and



he is having one similar previous case. Hence, he strongly requested for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the nature of the offence, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, the petitioner shall pay a sum of **Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only)** to the credit of **Headmistress, Panchayat Union Primary School, Madurai East (Account No.10111536270, IFSC Code: SBIN0002246, State Bank of India, Othakadai Branch, Madurai)**, without prejudice to his rights and contentions before the trial Court and produce the receipt/acknowledgement before the learned Judicial Magistrate, Ambasamudhiram.

7. On production of such receipt, 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, Ambasamudhiram, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten 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 Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity;

(b) the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 am until further orders.

(c) the petitioner shall not tamper with 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]**; and;

(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.



TO

1. THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
AMBASAMUDHIRAM.
2. DO-THROUGH : THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT.
3. THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE
ALWARKURICHI POLICE STATION,
TENKASI DISTRICT.
4. THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT, MADURAI.

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THE HEADMISTRESS,
PANCHAYAT UNION PRIMARY SCHOOL,
MADURAI EAST, MADURAI.

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01/11/2022)

ORDER
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