



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 07/11/2022

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PRESENT

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

CRL OP(MD). No.19618 of 2022

Karankumar

... Petitioner/Accused No.1

Vs

The State rep.by,
The Inspector of Police,
Civil Supplies C.I.D,
Sivagangai.
(Crime No.58 of 2022).

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : M/s.Lenin Kumar T,
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.58 of 2022 on the file of the Respondent Police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner/Accused No.1, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 6(4) of TNSC (RDCS) Order 1982 r/w 7(1)(a)(ii) of Essential Commodities Act, 1955, in Crime No.58 of 2022, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that on 26.04.2022, the complainant was on surveillance a Ashok Leyland bearing Reg.No.TN-68-AC-8147 was found to be loaded with 2400 Kg of PDS rice worth about Rs.61,875/-. 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. He would further submit that the petitioner is the owner of



the vehicle. The property was recovered and the accused (A2) was released on bail. Hence, he prays for anticipatory bail.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police would submit that the petitioner was found in possession of 2400 Kg of PDS rice worth about Rs.61,875/- and the property was recovered. The co-accused was arrested and later, released on bail. The investigation in this case is not yet completed. Hence, he strongly opposed to grant anticipatory bail.

5.Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the fact that the co-accused was released on bail, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

6.Accordingly, the petitioner shall pay a sum of **Rs.6,000/- (Rupees Six Thousand only) to the Mediation and Conciliation Centre, attached to the Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai**, without prejudice to his rights and contentions before the trial Court and produce the receipt/acknowledgement before the learned Judicial Magistrate No.I, Sivagangai.

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 No.I, Sivagangai, 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 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.

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TO

- 1.THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE NO.I, SIVAGANGAI
- 2.DO THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
SIVAGANGAI.
- 3.THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
CIVIL SUPPLIES C.I.D,
SIVAGANGAI.
- 4.THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT, MADURAI.

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MADURAI. (SOFT COPY)

ORDER
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