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T.V.THAMILSELVI, J.

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest for the alleged offence under Sections 8(c), 20(b)(ii)(B), 25 of Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 in Crime No.383 of 2022 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner was found in illegal possession of 1.150 kg of Ganja. Hence the complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submit that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. However, on instructions, the learned counsel further submitted that the petitioner, on their own volition, is ready and willing to contribute a sum of Rs.15,000/- to the credit of the Registered Advocate Clerk Association, Erode District that may be imposed by this Court. He prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.



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4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) submits that the petitioner was found in illegal possession of 1.150 kg of Ganja. He further submitted that there are two previous cases against this petitioner and one case is similar in nature. However, he opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the submission made by the learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side), this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, 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 I, Erode District***, 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 respondent police or



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the police officer who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned, failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed and on further condition that:

(a) the petitioner is directed to deposit a sum of **Rs.15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Thousand Only)** to the credit of the **Registered Advocate Clerk Association, Erode District**, within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and shall produce the said receipt before the Court below.

(b)the petitioner and the sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the surety bond and the Court concerned may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity;

(c)the petitioner shall report before the respondent police every Wednesday at 10.30 a.m. for a period of three months and thereafter as and when required for interrogation;

(d)the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

(e)the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;



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(f)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;

(g)if the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229-A IPC.

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