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CRL.O.P.No.1801 of 2023

T.V.THAMILSELVI, J.

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest for the alleged offences under Sections 328 of I.P.C r/w 20(2) of C.O.T.P. Act, 2003 in Cr.No.8 of 2023 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner along with other accused were in possession of 430 kilograms of banned tobacco products. Hence, the case.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that he has no way connected with the alleged occurrence and he has been falsely implicated in this case. However, on instructions, the learned counsel further submits that the petitioner, on his own volition, is ready and willing to contribute some amount for charitable purpose that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, 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 along with other accused were in possession of 430 kilograms of banned tobacco products. He further submits that there are two previous cases pending against the petitioner. Hence, he opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5.Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the submissions made by the both counsel and also the fact that the petitioner has willfully and on his own volition agreed to contribute some amount for charitable purpose, 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 before the **learned IX Metropolitan Magistrate, Saidapet, Chennai** on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of **Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten thousand only)** with two sureties (**out of which one should be blood related surety**) each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the



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respondent police or 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.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only)** to the credit of **Karthika Public Educational and Charitable Trust**, Mayiladuthurai, SB A/C No.497663303 Indian Bank Branch Code :00165 IFSC Code : IDIB000M023, 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 Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity.

[c] the petitioner is directed to report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., for a period of four weeks and thereafter as and 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.

[f] 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]**;

[g] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229A IPC.

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