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WEB C **S. SOUNTHAR, J.**

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offence punishable under Section 147, 148, 341, 294(B), 324, 307, 506(2) of IPC and Tamil Nadu Public Property (Prevention of Damage and Loss Act, 1992), in Crime No.1078 of 2017 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. It is a case of jumped bail. The petitioner apprehends arrest pursuant to a Non Bailable Warrant issued against him on 27.01.2023.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is an accused and facing trial in SC No.137 of 2019 on the file of the learned XV Additional Sessions Judge, Chennai. He further submitted that the petitioner had met with an accident, hence, he could not appear before the trial Court on 27.01.2023. He would submit that the said absence is neither willful nor wanton and he undertakes that the petitioner will appear before the Court below regularly on all future hearing dates without fail and ready to co-operate for the speedy disposal of the trial.



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Hence, he prayed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

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4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) would submit that on 27.01.2023, the petitioner did not appear before the trial Court and therefore, the learned Magistrate has issued Non Bailable Warrant against the petitioner. He would further submit that the option available to the petitioner is that he has to surrender before the trial Court and to file an application to recall the Non Bailable Warrant issued against him.

5. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) for the respondent police and perused the materials available on record.

6. Considering the above facts and circumstances, the petitioner is directed to appear/surrender before the learned XV Additional Sessions Judge, Chennai., within a period of two weeks from today and to file a petition to recall NBW already issued against him. On filing of such petition, the concerned learned Judge is directed to consider the same on merits and pass orders in accordance with law on the same day.



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7. This Criminal Original Petition is disposed of accordingly.

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