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V.LAKSHMINARAYANAN, J.

The petitioner who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offences punishable under Sections 366A, IPC @ 5(1) r/w 6 of POCSO Act, 2012 in Crime No.17 of 2023 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail

2. This Court was pleased to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner by virtue of an order dated 30.03.2023 in Crl.O.P.No.6501 of 2023. However, the petitioner pleads inability to comply with the condition imposed in the said order. On this basis, a fresh petition has been filed for anticipatory bail.

3. Considering the above facts, I am inclined to extend the time granted for complying with the condition of surety of Rs.25,000/- by a further period of 3 weeks from the date of receipt



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4. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of 15 days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before the learned Special Court under the POCSO Act, Cuddalore, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) with two sureties for a like sum, within a period of 3 weeks, to the satisfaction of the 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 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



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card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity.

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[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police everyday at 10.30 a.m, for a period of two weeks and thereafter on every Saturday at 10.30 a.m, 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



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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]***;

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

5. With the above observation, the petition is disposed of.

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