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V.LAKSHMINARAYANAN, J.

The petitioners, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police, for the alleged offences punishable under Sections 294(b) and 506(ii) of IPC and Section 4 of the Tamil Nadu Prohibition of Harassment of Women Act, 1998, in Crime No. Not known of 2023, seek anticipatory bail.

2. Today, when the matter is taken up for hearing, the learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent Police submitted that the petition enquiry in RC.No.62/DCPFB/COP/2023, is pending against the petitioners.

3. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and the learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent Police.



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4. Considering the facts and circumstances, the respondent Police has to issue notice under Section 41(A) of Cr.P.C to the petitioners and the petitioners are directed to appear before the respondent Police and the Investigating Officer has to conduct the enquiry by strictly following the procedures therein and if any *prima facie* case is made out against the petitioners, register the F.I.R or close the petition enquiry within a period of three weeks from today. The parties are directed to cooperate with the enquiry. It is needless to say that the respondent police shall not take any coercive steps to secure the accused till the completion of enquiry, on the complaint lodged by the defacto complainant.

5. With the above directions, this Criminal Original Petition is disposed of.

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