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A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA, J.,

The petitioners, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent/ Police for the offences punishable under Sections 448, 294(b), 427, 506(ii) of IPC in Crime No. 140 of 2023, seek anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution as per the de-facto complainant is that there was a love affair between A1's sister and defacto complainant's son. Whiles, the defacto complainant refused the marriage proposal between his son and A1's sister and hence A1's sister committed suicide. In retaliation, A1 along with other accused persons have assaulted the defacto complainant and caused damage to the articles in the house of the defacto complainant worth about Rs.90,000/-. Hence the complaint.



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3. The learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocent persons and a false complaint has been foisted as against them. He would further submit that the petitioners are friends of A1 and due to harassment of the defacto complainant, A1's sister one Sakthi Priya committed suicide. The petitioners have questioned the same and other than that they have not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. Hence, he would seek anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent submitted that the petitioners are friends of A1. A1's sister one Sakthi Priya was harassed by the defacto complainant and committed suicide. In retaliation, the petitioners have assaulted the defacto complainant and caused damages to the articles in the house of the defacto complainant. Hence, he vehemently opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners.



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5. Heard both sides and perused the materials available on record including the FIR.

6. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners with certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before the **learned Judicial Magistrate, Vedaranyam, Nagapattinam District** on condition that the each of the petitioners shall execute a separate 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 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 :



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[a] the petitioners and the sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the surety bond and the Magistrate/trial Court may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity;

[b] the petitioners shall report before the respondent Police every day at 10.30 a.m., for a period of two weeks and thereafter every Saturday at 10.30 am., until further orders.

[c] the petitioners shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

[d] the petitioners shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

[e] 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 petitioner released on bail by the learned Magistrate/Trial Court, as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in ***P.K.Shaji Vs. State of Kerala [(2005) AIR SCW 5560]***; and;



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[f] if the petitioners herein thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229-A IPC.

8. Accordingly, the Criminal Original Petition is ordered.

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