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The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offence under Sections 379 & 430 IPC r/w 21 (1) of Mines and Minerals Act, in Crime No.69 of 2023, on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. It is the submission of the learned counsel for the petitioner that petitioner is charged for the offences under Sections 379 & 430 IPC r/w 21 (1) of Mines and Minerals Act, for illegally transporting $\frac{1}{4}$ unit of lake sand in bullock cart. He further submitted that sand involved in this case is of small quantity and it is only for residential purpose of the petitioner. Thus, he seeks anticipatory bail for the petitioner.

3. In response, the learned Government Advocate (Crl.side) submitted that on 27.06.2023, at about 1.00 a.m., when the respondent police were in their routine vehicle check up, they found a bullock cart with $\frac{1}{4}$ unit of lake sand. Therefore, case was registered against the petitioner for illegal transportation of $\frac{1}{4}$ unit of lake sand. Petitioner has



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two previous cases, out of which, one ended in acquittal and one case is pending.

4.Considered the rival submissions. In view of the fact that petitioner has one similar case pending against him and that investigation is pending, this Court is not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5.Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is dismissed.

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