



CRL OP(MD). No.17968 of 2023

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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 13/10/2023

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice V. SIVAGNANAM

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Stephen @ Stephenraj,

... Petitioner/ Accused No.1

Vs

State rep. by
The Forest Range Officer,
Kalakkadu,
Tirunelveli District.
Wlor.No.06 of 2023.

... Respondent/ Complainant

For Petitioner : M/s.Ebenezer T.A.,
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.R.M.S.Sethuraman,
Additional Public Prosecutor

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.438 of Cr.P.C

PRAYER :-

To enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of his arrest or surrender in WLOR.NO.06 of 2023 on the file of the respondent police.



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ORDER: The Court made the following order :-

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The petitioner/Accused, apprehending arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offence punishable under Sections Schedule Part (1)(A) No.65, Sections 2, 9, 39, 50, 51 of Wild Life Protection Amendment Act, 2022, on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on 08.08.2023, the forest Party waylaid A2 and A3, who are the field workers of A1's garden and enquired them. At that time, they confessed that A1, A2 would hunt the Sambar Deer and transport its flesh through the Car. Based on the confession, the respondent Police also enquired and found some part of the carcasses in the well. Hence, the complaint.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that he is innocent and not committed any offence, as alleged by the prosecution. He has been falsely roped into the case, based on the confession of co-accused. Hence, prays to release him on anticipatory bail.

4.The learned Additional Public Prosecutor submitted that in this case totally there are three accused. The petitioner is arrayed as A1. A2 and A3 are his field

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workers. The petitioner is having one previous case, that too, similar in nature. The co-accused/A2, A3 are still in custody. The custodial interrogation of the petitioner is required. Hence, prays to dismiss the petition

5. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case and also taking into consideration the previous bad antecedents of the petitioner, this Court is not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

6. Hence the petition stands dismissed.

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Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai - 625 023.

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TO

1. The Forest Range Officer,
Kalakkadu,
Tirunelveli District.

2. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.



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