



CRL OP(MD)No.18120 of 2023

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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT  
( Criminal Jurisdiction )

Date : 30.10.2023

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice V. SIVAGNANAM

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Manikandan

... Petitioner/ Accused No.1

Vs

The State represented by  
The Inspector of Police,  
M.Pudhupatti Police Station,  
Virudhunagar District.  
(Crime No.119 of 2021)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.G.M.Xavier, Advocate

For Respondent : Mr.RMS.Sethuraman,  
Additional Public Prosecutor.

PETITION FOR BAIL Under Sec.439 of Cr.P.C.

PRAYER :-

For Bail in Crime No.119 of 2021 on the file of the Respondent Police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 15.09.2023  
for the alleged offence punishable under Sections 379, 353 IPC and Section 21(1) of



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the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act 1957 in Crime No.119 of 2021, on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

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2.The case of the prosecution is that on 28.07.2021, when the Tahsildar along with VAO, Erichanatham were on survey duty, two tipper lorries came there and it was found that they illegally transported four units of gravel sand without any proper permission. Hence the case.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would contend that the petitioner is innocent and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He would further submit that the petitioner is in custody from 15.09.2023, hence he seeks bail.

4.The learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent Police would submit that petitioner along with other accused illegally transported four units of gravel sand. That apart, two previous cases are pending as against the petitioner and hence, he strongly objected to grant bail to the petitioner.

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



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6.Considering the facts and circumstances and also taking into consideration the period of incarceration and taking into consideration of the principle stated by the Honourable Supreme Court in *Sanjay Chandra and others vs. CBI* reported in (2012)1 SCC 40, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioners, subject to the following conditions:

[i] Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on condition to execute a 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 learned Judicial Magistrate No.II, Sivakasi and on further conditions that:

(ii) the sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the surety bond and the Magistrate/concerned court may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank Pass Book to ensure their identity;

(iii) the petitioner shall appear before the trial Court on summons.

(iv) the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness;



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(v)the petitioner shall not abscond during trial.

vi) On breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioner in accordance 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].

vii)If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229A IPC.

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Sub-Assistant Registrar (C.S. )  
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,  
Madurai - 625 023.

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TO

1 THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE NO.II  
SIVAKASI.



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2 DO THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,  
VIRUDHUNAGAR DISTRICT AT SRIVILLIPUTHUR.

3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE  
M.PUDHUPATTI POLICE STATION, VIRUDHUNAGAR DISTRICT.

4 THE OFFICER INCHARGE,  
SUB JAIL, SRIVILLIPUTHUR, VIRUDHUNAGAR DISTRICT.

5 THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,  
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT,  
MADURAI.

**+ 1 CC TO Mr.G.M.Xavier, Advocate IN SR No.15701 Dated 31.10.2023**

ORDER

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