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CrI.O.P.No.988 of 2024

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 19.01.2024

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**THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE C.V.KARTHIKEYAN**

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Lokesh @ Lokeswaran

... Petitioner

Vs.

The State represented by  
The Inspector of Police,  
F-2, Egmore Police Station,  
Chennai.

Crime No.457 of 2023

... Respondent

**PRAYER:** Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 439 of Cr.P.C.,  
prayed to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Crime No.457 of 2023 on the file of  
the respondent Police.

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Mohanraj

For Respondent : Mr.L.Baskaran  
Government Advocate (crl.side)

### **ORDER**

The petitioner who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody  
on 23.11.2023 for the offences registered under Sections 8(c), 20(b)(ii)(B) of



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NDPS Act in Crime No.457 of 2023 on the file of the respondent Police, seeks bail.

2. There are totally four accused in this case. From the other accused, 3.300 kgs of Ganja had been seized.

3. It is stated by the learned Government Advocate that there has been no recovery from the petitioner.

4. Taking all the factors into consideration and the period of incarceration, I am inclined to grant bail to the petitioner subject to the following conditions:

5. 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 XIV Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai and on further conditions that:-

[a] the sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the surety bond and the Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity.

**[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent Police, everyday at 10.30 a.m., until further orders.**



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[c] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial.

[d] the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial.

[e] 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].

[f] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229A IPC.

**19.01.2024**

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To

1.The XIV Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai.

2.The Central Prison, Puzhal II.

3.The Inspector of Police,  
F-2, Egmore Police Station,  
Chennai.

4. The Public Prosecutor, High Court of Madras.



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**C.V.KARTHIKEYAN,J.**

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