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C.V.KARTHIKEYAN, J.

The Petitioner who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Section 380 of I.P.C in Crime No.305 of 2022, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution as per the defacto complainant is that the petitioner along with other accused committed theft of copper winding coil and iron core sheets from the EB post. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is an innocent and he would submit that the main accused have been arrested and they have been enlarged on bail and there is no previous case as against the petitioner. Hence, he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) would submit that the petitioner along with other accused committed theft of copper winding coil and iron core sheets from the EB post. Hence, he vehemently



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opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Taking into consideration the facts and the submissions made by the counsel, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail with certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, the Petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before **the learned District Munsif-cum-Judicial Magistrate Court at Uthukottai, Thiruvallur District**, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of **Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five 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 conditions that :



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[a] the petitioner and 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 daily at 10.30 a.m., until further orders.

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

[d] the petitioner shall not abscond 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]**.



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

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