

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : **25.03.2024**

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

Crl.OP.No.7217 of 2024

V. Dhanush

...Petitioner

Vs.

State rep by,
The Station House Officer,
Ariyankuppam Police Station,
Puducherry
Crime No.26 of 2024

...Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 439 of Cr.P.C. praying to enlarge the petitioner on bail in FIR in Crime No.26 of 2024 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr. Prakash Adiapadam

For Respondent : Mr.K.S.Mohandoss
Public Prosecutor (Puducherry)

ORDER

The petitioner who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 21.02.2024 for the offences registered under Sections 20(b)(ii)(A) of NDPS Act, 1985 r/w Section 8 (c) of NDPS Act, 1985 and Section 77 of

Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act 2015 in Crime No.26 of 2024, on the file of the respondent Police, seeks bail.

2.The petitioner had been remanded to judicial custody on 21.02.2024 with possession of 30 grams of ganja in 6 packets. Hence the complaint.

3. It is stated by the learned Government Advocate that there are no previous case pending against the petitioner.

4.Taking all the factors into consideration and the quantity of the contraband and the period of incarceration, this Court is 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 Judicial Magistrate III at Pondicherry**, 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, daily at 10.00 a.m., until further orders.

[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.

25.03.2024

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C.V.KARTHIKEYAN, J.

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To

1. The **Judicial Magistrate III, Pondicherry,**

2.The Station House Officer,
Ariyankuppam Police Station,
Puducherry
Crime No.26 of 2024

3. The Central Prison Pondicherry, kalapet, Pondicherry.

4.The Public Prosecutor, Madras High Court.

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