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T.V.THAMILSELVI, J.

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 26.12.2022 for the alleged offence under Sections 395 r/w 397 of I.P.C. in Crime No.576 of 2014 on the file of the respondent police, pending trial in P.R.C.No.21 of 2017 on the file of Judicial Magistrate No.I, Udumalpet, seeks bail.

2. It is a case of jumped bail. The petitioner was arrested on 26.12.2022 pursuant to the non-bailable warrant issued against him.

3. The learned counsel appearing for petitioner would submit that due to absence of petitioner on the date of hearing i.e. on 18.06.2019, the learned Judge ordered non-bailable warrant against the petitioner, thereby he was detained under PT warrant on 26.12.2022 on execution of non-bailable warrant. He would submit that he is in jail from 26.12.2022 for more than 1 year. Hence, he prayed to grant bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for



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respondent would submit that the petitioner is absconding for more than four years and thereafter, after hectic efforts, he was secured only on 26.12.2022. He would submit that he is having 8 previous cases, in which 7 cases similar in nature and one case is registered for the offence of robbery. He would further submit that after securing him only, there is progress in the trial and at this stage, if he is released on bail, there is possibility of hampering the investigation and tampering the witnesses. Therefore, he vehemently opposed to grant bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and the fact that after four years, he was secured and having 8 previous cases, in which 7 cases are similar in nature and one case is robbery and considering the fact that if he is released on bail, there is possibility of hampering the investigation and tampering the witnesses, this Court is not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is dismissed.

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