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T.V.THAMILSELVI, J.

The petitioner who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent Police for the offences punishable under Sections 24(1) of COTP Act r/w Section 328 of IPC, in Crime No.155 of 2024, on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner along with other accused persons were found in illegal possession of 3.700 kgs of Mava and other tobacco products and the same was seized by the respondent police. Hence, the complaint.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He would further submit that he is ready to abide by any condition that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent would submit that petitioner along with other accused persons were found in illegal possession of 3.700 kgs of Mava and other



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tobacco products. He further submits that the petitioner has seven previous cases pending against him. Hence, he opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) for the respondent and perused the materials available on record.

6.Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and also the submission made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, this court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

7.Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before the learned **10th Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Egmore, Chennai**, on condition that the petitioner shall 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 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



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condition that:

[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 deposit a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) to the credit of Society for the Educational And Economic Development (SEED) Reg., Sriperumbudur, Account Name : SEED, A/c.2926101000002, Canara Bank, Sriperumbudur, IFSC CNRB0002926, Cell:99448 12053; within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and shall produce the said receipt before the Court below.

(c) the petitioner shall report before the respondent police on every Saturday at 10.30 a.m, for a period of eight weeks;

(d)the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

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(e)the petitioner shall not abscond either during



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investigation or trial;

(f) 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]*; and;

(g)if the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229-A IPC;

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