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T.V.THAMILSELVI, J.

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 21.06.2024 for the alleged offence under Sections 294(b), 341, 323, 324, 393, 397, 506(ii) r/w Sec. 34 of I.P.C. in Crime No.104 of 2021 on the file of the respondent police, pending trial in P.R.C.No.148 of 2021 on the file of XIII Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai, seeks bail.

2. It is a case of jumped bail. The petitioner was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 21.06.2024 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 24.01.2024, the learned Judge ordered non-bailable warrant against the petitioner, thereby he was detained under PT warrant on 21.06.2024 on execution of non-bailable warrant. He would submit that he is in jail from 21.06.2024 for more than 26 days. Hence, he prayed to grant bail to the petitioner.



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4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for respondent would submit that the petitioner is absconding for more than five months and thereafter, after hectic efforts, he was secured only on 21.06.2024. He would submit that now the trial is at committal stage and no previous case pending against him. He would further submit that 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 five months, he was secured and now the trial is at the committal stage and on considering the fact that at this stage, if he is released on bail, he may abscond 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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