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P. DHANABAL.J.,

The petitioners apprehend arrest for the alleged offences under Sections 296(b), 115(2), 133 and 351(1) of BNS r/w. Section 4 of Women Harassment Act in Crime No.309 of 2024, on the file of the respondent police seek anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioners and the defacto-complainant are neighbours. There was a dispute between them regarding water line. On 11.08.2024, the petitioners abused and assaulted the defacto-complainant. Hence the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioners would contend that the defacto-complainant are neighbours. There was a dispute between them regarding water line. These petitioners are innocent persons and they have not indulged in any illegal activities as alleged by the prosecution and they have been falsely implicated in this case by the respondent police and hence he seeks anticipatory bail to the petitioners.



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4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) would submit that the defacto-complainant are neighbours. There was a dispute between them regarding water line. On 11.08.2024, the petitioners abused and assaulted the defacto-complainant. The injured persons are admitted in the hospital and now they are discharged from hospital. Counter case has been registered against the defacto-complainant and the same is pending. However, the learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) vehemently opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

5. Heard both side and perused the materials available on record.

6. Considering the rival submissions on either side, considering the fact that the dispute occurred between the neighbours, injured persons are discharged from hospital, counter case has been registered and the same is also pending and considering other aspects, this court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners, subject to the following conditions:



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7. Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on anticipatory 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 **Judicial Magistrate No.II, Tiruvallur** on condition that the petitioners shall execute separate 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 Magistrate concerned and on further condition that:

[a] the petitioners shall report before the respondent police on every Saturday at 10.00a.m. for the period of 4 weeks;

[b] the petitioners shall not directly or indirectly make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade him from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer or tamper with the evidence.

[c] the petitioners shall not leave India without the prior permission of the Court.

[d] the petitioners shall not abscond either during investigation or trial.



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[e] On breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioners in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioners 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 269 B.N.S.2023.

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