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CRL O.P. No.23818 of 2024

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

Dated : 26.09.2024

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The Hon`ble Mr.Justice P.DHANABAL

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.... Petitioner

Vs.

The State of Puducherry,
Rep. by its Station House Officer,
Lawspet Police Station,
Puducherry.

... Respondent

PRAYER:- The Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 483 of The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, praying to grant bail to the petitioner/Accused in Crime No. 106 of 2024 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr. S. Lakshmikanth

For Respondent : Mr.M.V.Ramachandra Murthy
Additional Public Prosecutor
assisted by Mr. Alexander
Government Advocate (Puducherry)



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ORDER

The petitioner/sole accused, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 22.08.2024 for the offence punishable under Section 20(b)(ii)(A) of NDPS Act, r/w 8(c) of NDPS Act and under Section 77 of Juvenile Justice Act in Crime No.106 of 2024 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner sold 630 grams of dried Ganja leaves. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has not committed any such offence as alleged by the prosecution. The petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case. However, on instructions, the learned counsel further submits that the petitioner is ready and willing to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Court and he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.



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4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) would submit that the petitioner sold 630 grams of dried Ganja leaves and he further submitted that there is no previous case pending against the petitioner. However, he opposed to grant bail to the petitioner.

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

6. Considering the representations made by both sides and considering the nature of offences charged against the petitioner and contraband involved in this case is not a commercial quantity and also considering the period of incarceration and no previous case is pending against the petitioner, I am inclined to grant bail to the petitioner, subject to the following conditions:

[a] 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



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Thousand only) with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the **Judicial Magistrate – I, Puducherry** and on further conditions that:

[b] the petitioner shall report before the learned Principal Sessions Judge, Puducherry on every working day at 10.30 A.M. until further orders.

[c] the petitioner shall attend in accordance with the conditions of the bond.

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

[e] the petitioner shall not commit any offence similar to the offence of which he is accused, or suspected, or of the commission of which he is suspected.

[f] the petitioner 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.

[g] On breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Judicial Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the conditions have



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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].

[h] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 B.N.S.

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To

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2. The Station House Officer,
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Puducherry.
3. Central Prison, Puducherry.
- 4.The Additional Public Prosecutor, High Court, Madras.

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