



CrI.O.P.No.24604 of 2024

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 17.10.2024

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE P.DHANABAL

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Kumaravel

...Petitioner

Vs.

State rep by
The Inspector of Police,
CSCID Police Station,
Cuddalore
(Crime No.172 of 2024)

...Respondent/Complainant

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of B.N.S.S. Act, 2023, praying to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Crime No.172 of 2024 on the file of respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Raveendran

For Respondent : Mr.S.Vinothkumar
Government Advocate (CrI. Side)

ORDER



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The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 15.09.2024 for the offences under Sections 6(4) of TNSC (RDCS) Order 1982, r/w 7(1)(a)(ii) of EC Act 1955 in Crime No.172 of 2024 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner along with other accused were found in illegal possession 400 kgs of PDS rice. Hence, the complaint.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person, he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution, and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that the petitioner has been in custody since 15.09.2024 ; that he is a law-abiding citizen; that he is ready to furnish substantial sureties for his due release on bail; and therefore, he prays for the grant of bail to the petitioner.

4. Learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) opposes the grant of



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bail to the petitioner by stating that the petitioner along with other accused were found in illegal possession 4000 kgs of PDS rice. He further submitted that there is one previous case pending against the petitioner.

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

6. Considering the arguments from both sides, the nature of the offence, the quantity involved in the case, the recovery of the PDS rice by the authorities concerned and taking note of the fact that even though there is one previous case pending against the petitioner, bail was granted to the petitioner in that case and also taking into consideration the period of incarceration undergone by the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner with certain conditions:

7. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his executing 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 learned Judicial Magistrate No.I, Cuddalore and on further conditions



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that:
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[a] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police everyday at 10.30 a.m until further orders.

[b] the petitioner shall attend in accordance with the conditions of the bond;

[c] the Petitioner shall not commit any offences of similar to the offence of which he is accused, or suspected, or of the commission of which he is suspected;

[d] 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;

[e] the Petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

[f] 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 been imposed and the petitioner released on bail by the learned Magistrate/Trial



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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 269 B.N.S.

17.10.2024

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To

1.The Judicial Magistrate No.I, Cuddalore

2. The Inspector of Police,
CSCID Police Station,
Cuddalore

2.The Sub Jail at Cuddalore

4.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.

P.DHANABAL, J.

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