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CRL O.P. No.25970 of 2024

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

Dated : 21.10.2024

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE P.DHANABAL

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Vasanthakumar

... Petitioner / A2

Vs

State rep. by
The Sub-Inspector of Police,
F-2, Egmore Police Station,
Chennai.
(Crime No.269 of 2024)

... Respondent

PRAYER: - The Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 483 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, (BNSS) 2023, praying to enlarge the Petitioner on bail in Crime No.269 of 2024 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.N.Selvarajan

For Respondent : Mr.S.Vinoth Kumar
Government Advocate
(Criminal Side)



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ORDER

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The petitioner/A2, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 07.09.2024, for the offences punishable under Sections 8(c), 20(b)(ii)(B) and 29(1) of NDPS Act, 1985 in Crime No.269 of 2024, on the file of the respondent seeks bail.

2.It is the case of the prosecution that the petitioner along with the other accused were found in illegal possession of 1.100 Kgs of Ganja. Hence, the case.

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

4.The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) would submit that totally 1.100 kgs of Ganja involved in this case, out of which, 500 grams



of Ganja was recovered from this petitioner. He would further submit that there are two previous cases pending against the petitioner, out of which, one case is with respect to NDPS offence. Hence, he vehemently opposed for grant of bail to the petitioner.

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

6. Considering the nature of offence and the quantity of contraband involved in this case is not a commercial quantity and though the petitioner is having two previous cases, both the cases are not similar kind of offence and already bail was granted in all those cases and also considering the period of incarceration undergone by the petitioner, this Court is 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 Thousand only) with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned **XIV Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai**, and on further conditions that;



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[b] the Petitioner shall report before the concerned NDPS Court on all working days at 10.30 a.m., until further orders;

[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;

[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 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.

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To

- 1.The XIV Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai.
- 2.The Central Prison, Puzhal, Chennai.
- 3.The Sub-Inspector of Police,
F-2, Egmore Police Station,
Chennai.
- 4.The Public Prosecutor, High Court, Madras.



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