



Crl.O.P.No.30570 of 2024

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 09.12.2024

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA

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1. Pazhanisamy

2. Sivagami

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Petitioners

Vs.

The State represented by,
The Inspector of Police,
Kallakurichi Police Station,
Kallakurichi District,
(Crime No.308 of 2024)

... Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, pleaded to enlarge the petitioner on anticipatory bail in the event of his arrest by the respondent police concerned in Crime No.308 of 2024, on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioners : Mr.P.Rajavel Rajavel

For Respondent : Mr.S.Santhosh
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)



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ORDER

Apprehending arrest in connection with Crime No.308 of 2024 registered for the offences punishable under Sections 4 (1) (C), 4 (1) (A), 4 (1) (a), 4 (1) (g) of Tamil Nadu Prohibition Act, the present petition has been filed seeking anticipatory bail.

2.Pleading innocence on the part of the petitioners, false implication in the case, learned counsel for the petitioners seeks indulgence of this Court. Learned counsel for the petitioners would submit that the petitioners are an innocent and they have been falsely implicated in this case. He also submits that the petitioners have no previous case against them and without prejudice to the defence and contention, they are ready and willing to deposit a sum of Rs.5,000/- as non-refundable deposit to any welfare scheme of the Government or any organization. He further submits that the petitioners are ready to abide by any stringent condition that may be imposed by this Court.



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3.The case of the prosecution as putforth by the learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent Police, opposing for grant of anticipatory bail, is that the petitioners were found to be in possession of 6680 Kg of Jaggery and 10 litres of ID arrack kept in a polythene cover. He further submitted that the petitioners have no previous case pending against them.

4.Considering the voluntary submission made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, the petitioner is directed to deposit a sum of Rs.5,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) each to the Charu Home for Aged, Account Number : 2771201000291, IFSC Code : CNRB0002771, Canara Bank, Mahila Br., T.Nagar Chennai - 17 without prejudice to the right of defence before the Trial Court and making it clear that it would not amount to admission of guilt.



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5. Further, having heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and the learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) for the respondent Police and perused the materials available on record and the fact that there is no previous case pending against the petitioners, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions and accordingly, they are ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned Judicial Magistrate Court, Sankarapuram, Kallakurichi District on condition that the petitioners shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only), each with two sureties, each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the respondent Police or the Police officer who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the said Magistrate, on further condition that:

[a] if the petitioners fail to surrender before the said Magistrate within a period of fifteen days, this Order shall stand automatically cancelled;

[b] the petitioners shall report before the respondent Police daily at 10.30 a.m for a period of two weeks, thereafter



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every Saturday at 10.30 am until further orders;

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[c] the petitioners shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

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

[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 of BNS.

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