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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 25/03/2024

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice M.DHANDAPANI

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Muthuramalingam

... Petitioner/8th Accused

Vs

The Inspector of Police,
Dindigul NIBCID Police Station,
Dindigul District.
In Crime No.15 of 2023.

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.M.Jerin Mathew, Advocate.
For Respondent : Mr.B.Nambiselvan,
Additional Public Prosecutor.

PETITION FOR BAIL Under Sec.439 of Cr.P.C.

PRAYER :-

For Bail in Crime No.15 of 2023 on the file of the respondent Police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner/A8, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 25.11.2023 for the alleged offence punishable under Sections 8(c) r/w 20(b)(ii)(C), 25



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and 29(1) NDPS Act in Crime No.15 of 2023, on the file of the respondent Police, seeks bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that on 24.11.2023, base on the secret information, the Police party went near Karuppasamy temple at Dindigul to Batlagundu road. At that time, the accused persons came in a car bearing Reg.No.TN-07-BX-745 and the same was intercepted by the Police. On search, it was found that A1 to A3 were found in possession of 2 kgs of ganja and a sum of Rs.5,48,500/- was also recovered from them. Based on the confession statement given by them, the Police party recovered 21.600 kgs of ganja from A4 to A6. Hence, the complaint.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner herein is arrayed as A8 and he did not commit any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He would further submit that only based on the confession statement, the petitioner herein implicated in this case, which is not sustainable one. Absolutely, there is no recovery from the petitioner herein and only in order to wreck vengeance, the petitioner was implicated in this case. Further, the co-accused was enlarged on bail by this Court in Crl.O.P(MD) No.3857 of 2024. Accordingly, he prayed to grant bail to the petitioner.



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4.The learned Additional Public Prosecutor appearing for the respondent Police would submit that initially 2 kgs ganja was recovered from A1 to A3 and based on the confession statement, 21.600 kgs was recovered. That apart, there was call details available in between A5, A6 and A8 and for the same set of facts, this Court refused to grant bail, since there was a bar under Section 37 of NDPS Act. Further, one previous case is pending against the petitioner, which is not in similar nature. Accordingly, he prayed to dismiss the present petition.

5.On perusal of the entire records reveals that 2 kgs of ganja recovered from A1 to A3 and based on the confession statement, 21 kgs of kanja was recovered from A4. No contraband was recovered from the petitioner herein. Further, the co-accused was enlarged on bail by this Court in Crl.O.P(MD) No.3857 of 2024.

6.Considering the above facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the period of incarceration suffered by the petitioner and the co-accused was granted bail by this Court, vide order dated 13.03.2024, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.



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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 Principal Special Court for Trial of NDPS Act Cases, Madurai and on further conditions that:

(a) the sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the surety bond and the Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity;

(b) the petitioner is directed to appear before the respondent police daily at 10.30 A.M., until further orders;

(c) the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

(d) the petitioner 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 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;



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(f)if the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section

229-A IPC.

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Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai - 625 023.

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TO

- 1 THE PRINCIPAL SPECIAL JUDGE
FOR TRIAL OF NDPS ACT CASES, MADURAI.
 - 2 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE
DINDIGUL NIBCID POLICE STATION,
DINDIGUL DISTRICT
 - 3 THE SUPERINTENDENT
CENTRAL PRISON, MADURAI.
 - 4 THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT, MADURAI.
- +1. CC to MR.M.JERRIN MATHEW, Advocate SR.No.3696(I) DT:26/03/2024

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