



CRL OP(MD) No.2728 of 2024

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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT
(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Wednesday, the Twenty First day of February Two Thousand and Twenty Four

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice M.DHANDAPANI

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1 RAMESH

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3 VALLI

4 PALANISAMY

5 MEENAL @ SASI

... PETITIONERS / ACCUSED RANK 1 TO 5

Vs

THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE
ALL WOMEN POLICE STATION,
KARAIKUDI,
SIVAGANGAI DISTRICT.
CRIME NO. 1 OF 2024

... RESPONDENT / COMPLAINANT

For Petitioner : Mr.V.SELVAKUMAR Advocate

For Respondent : Mr.P.KOTTAICHAMY, Govt. Advocate (CrI. Side)

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec. 438 Cr.P.C.

PRAYER:

FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL IN CRIME NO. 1 OF 2024 ON THE FILE OF
THE RESPONDENT POLICE.



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ORDER : The Court Made the following order :-

The petitioners/A1 to A5, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offence under Sections 498(A), 294(b) and 506(i) of IPC, in Cr.No.1 of 2024, seek anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the marriage of the first petitioner and the de-facto complainant was solemnized on 08.06.2023 and after the marriage, the first petitioner harassed the de-facto complainant by demanding additional dowry and the other petitioners have criminally intimidated her and all the petitioners threatened her with dire consequences. Hence, the case.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners have not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution and it is purely a matrimonial dispute between the first petitioner and the defacto complainant and the other petitioners are in-laws of the defacto complainant. Hence, he prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Crl. side) submitted that though there was a serious allegation made against the first petitioner/husband, no serious allegation was made against the in-laws. However, he strongly opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the first petitioner.



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5. Heard the learned counsel on either side.

6. Since there is a specific allegation made against the first petitioner, this Court is not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the first petitioner. Hence, this petition is dismissed as against the first petitioner/ A1.

7. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the fact that no serious allegation was made against the petitioners 2 to 5, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners 2 to 5 with certain conditions.

8. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is partly allowed and the petitioners 2 to 5 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, Karaikudi, on condition that the petitioners 2 to 5 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 learned Magistrate concerned and on further condition that:



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(a)if the petitioners 2 to 5 failed to surrender before the concerned Magistrate within a period of 15 days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, this order shall stand automatically cancelled;

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

(c)the petitioners 1, 2 and 4 shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., for a period of two weeks and thereafter, as and when required for interrogation; and the petitioners 3 and 5 shall report before the respondent police as and when required for interrogation;

(d)the petitioners 2 to 5 shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

(e)the petitioners 2 to 5 shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

(f)on breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Magistrate/ Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioners 2 to 5 in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioners 2 to 5 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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(g)if the accused thereafter abscond, 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 JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
KARAIKUDI.
- 2 DO THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
SIVAGANGAI DISTRICT.
- 3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE
ALL WOMEN POLICE STATION, KARAIKUDI,
SIVAGANGAI DISTRICT.
- 4 THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT,
MADURAI.

ORDER
IN

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