



CRL OP(MD) No.3421 of 2024

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

Monday, the Fourth day of March Two Thousand and Twenty Four

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice M.DHANDAPANI

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SUNDARAMAHALINGAM

... PETITIONER / ACCUSED 2

Vs

THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE
WATRAP POLICE STATION,
VIRUDHUNAGAR DISTRICT.
CRIME NO.24 OF 2024.

... RESPONDENT / COMPLAINANT

For Petitioner : Mr.D.S.HAROON RASHEED, Advocate

For Respondent : Mr.S.MANIKANDAN, Govt. Advocate (Crl. Side)

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

PRAYER:- FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL IN CRIME NO.24 OF 2024 ON THE FILE
OF THE RESPONDENT POLICE.

ORDER : The Court Made the following order :-

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent Police for
the alleged offence under Sections 379 IPC r/w Section 21(1) of Mines and Minerals
(Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 in Crime No.24 of 2024, seeks anticipatory



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2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner was found in illegal transportation of $\frac{3}{4}$ units of sand using tractor bearing Registration No.TN 49 BH 0888.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. However, on instruction, he would further submit that the petitioner, without prejudice to his rights, is ready to deposit a sum of Rs.10,000/- to the High Court Environmental Committee and hence, he prays for anticipatory bail.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent Police strongly opposed to grant anticipatory bail stating that the petitioner had transported three units of sand illegally and the said vehicle involved was seized by the respondent police and the investigation is going on.

5.Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

6.Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned Judicial Magistrate No.1, Srivilliputhur, Virudhunagar District, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum



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of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only), 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:

(a)if the petitioner 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)as per the undertaking given by the petitioner, the petitioner is directed to deposit a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) to the credit of the Environmental Committee Operated by Registrar (Judicial) [Account No.7633863037; MICR Code: 625019020, CIF No: 30602376727, IFSC Code: IDIB000H040, High Court Branch, Madurai (2001)], without prejudice to his defence before the trial Court and the concerned Magistrate, after perusing the challan/receipt, shall accept the sureties furnished by the petitioner;

(c)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;

(d)the petitioner shall report before the respondent police dily at 10.30 a.m, for a period of two weeks and thereafter, as and when required



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for interrogation;

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

(f)the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

(g)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;

(h)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,
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1 THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE NO.I,
SRIVILLIPUTHUR, VIRUDHUNAGAR DISTRICT.



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2 DO THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
VIRUDHUNAGAR DISTRICT AT SRIVILLIPUTHUR.

3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE
WATRAP POLICE STATION,
VIRUDHUNAGAR DISTRICT.

4 THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT,
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