



CRL OP(MD) No.4521 of 2024

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

Thursday, the Twenty First day of March Two Thousand and Twenty Four

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice M.DHANDAPANI

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GNANASEKARAN

... Petitioner / Sole Accused

Vs

THE SUB INSPECTOR OF POLICE  
MELATUR POLICE STATION,  
THANJAVUR DISTRICT.  
(IN CRIME NO.98 OF 2024)

... Respondent / Complainant

For Petitioner : M/s.T.Mahendran, Advocate

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

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

PRAYER : FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL IN CRIME NO. 98/2024 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 Section 379 IPC r/w. Section 21(4) of Mines and  
Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957, in Crime No.98 of 2024, seeks



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anticipatory bail.

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2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner was involved in illegal transportation of  $\frac{1}{4}$  unit of river sand by using bullock cart.

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 pay a sum of Rs.5,000/- to the Panchayat Union Primary School, Devangudi, for the welfare of the students and hence, he prays for anticipatory bail.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent Police would submit that no previous case is pending against the petitioner.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the quantity of the sand transported by the petitioner, 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.3, Thanjavur District, on condition that the petitioner shall 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 respondent police or the police officer who intends to arrest or



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to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned and on further condition that:

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(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 pay a sum of Rs.5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only) to the Panchayat Union Primary School, Devangudi, 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; The Head Master of the said school shall utilize the said amount for the welfare of the students studying in the School;

(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 daily at 10.30 a.m, for a period of two weeks and thereafter, as and when required for interrogation;

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



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trial;

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

sd/-  
21/03/2024

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Sub-Assistant Registrar  
(C.S.I /II /III /IV )  
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,  
Madurai - 625 023.

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To

1.The Judicial Magistrate No.III,  
Thanjavur District.



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2.Do through the Chief Judicial Magistrate,  
Thanjavur District at Kumbakonam.

3.The Inspector of Police,  
Melatur Police Station,  
Thanjavur District.

4.The Additional Public Prosecutor,  
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.

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Panchayat Union Primary School,  
Devangudi.

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