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

Date : 04/10/2024

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice D.BHARATHA CHAKRAVARTHY

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Pradeep G,

... Petitioner/ Accused

Vs

The State of Tamilnadu,
Rep by the Inspector of Police,
Thirupparangundram Police Station,
Madurai City.
Crime No.570/2024.

... Respondent/ Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.Karthikeyavenkitachalapathy M,
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.A.Albert James,
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec. 482 BNSS

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.570 of 2024 on the file of the Respondent Police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner/Accused, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 197(2), 353(2) of BNS, in Crime No.570 of 2024 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner made inappropriate



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comments in the social media questioning the quality of Panchamirtham in the Palani Temple.

3.Heard. Perused the materials available on record including the First Information Report.

4.Considering the nature of allegations against the petitioner that the petitioner made inappropriate comments as against the Panchamirtham made in Sri Thandayuthapani Swami Temple, Palani and that subsequently, he has deleted the tweet and has deleted the account also, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions:

5.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 on which the order copy made ready, before the learned Judicial Magistrate Court VI, Madurai, 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 to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned, failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed and on further condition that:

[a] the petitioner and the sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the surety bond and the Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar



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card or Bank Pass Book to ensure their identity.

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[b] 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. Further, the petitioner shall surrender the mobile phone to the respondent police.

[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].

[f] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229A IPC.

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Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
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- 1 THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE NO.VI
MADURAI.
- 2 DO-THROUGH :
THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, MADURAI DISTRICT.
- 3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
THIRUPPARANGUNDRAM POLICE STATION, MADURAI CITY.
- 4 THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT, MADURAI.

+1 CC to M/s.KARTHIKEYAVENKITACHALAPATHY M, Advocate (SR-12278[I]
dated 04/10/2024)

ORDER
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