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

Date : 27/11/2024

PRESENT

The HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE N.ANAND VENKATESH

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Selvapandi,

... Petitioner/ Accused No.3

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu,  
Rep. by the Inspector of Police,  
Civil Supplies C.I.D.  
Virudhunagar.  
(Crime No. 208 of 2024).

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.T.Lenin Kumar,  
Advocate.

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

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of BNSS

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No. 208 of 2024 on the file of the Respondent police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner / Accused No.3, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent Police for the offences under Clause 6(4) of TNSC (RDCS) Order 1982 r/w 7(1)(a)(ii) of Essential Commodities Act, 1955 in Crime No.208 of 2024, on the



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file of the respondent Police, seeks anticipatory bail.

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2. The case of the prosecution is that on 19.11.2024, during regular surveillance, a lorry was intercepted and it was found to carry 2000 kgs of PDS rice. There are totally three accused persons in this case and the petitioner has been arrayed as Accused No.3.

3. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent Police.

4. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case and considering the fact that the entire PDS rice along with the lorry has been seized and Accused Nos.1 and 2 have been arrested and Accused No.3 is having two previous cases, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner subject to the following conditions.

5. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on anticipatory 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.I, Virudhunagar, 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 said Magistrate, on further condition that:



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[a] if the petitioner fails to surrender before the said Magistrate within a period of fifteen days, this order shall stand automatically cancelled;

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., for a period of four weeks and thereafter, as and when required for interrogation;

[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;

[f] if the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS 2023.

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Sub-Assistant Registrar  
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Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,  
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- 1 THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE NO.I  
VIRUDHUNAGAR.
- 2 DO THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,  
VIRUDHUNAGAR DISTRICT AT SRIVILLIPUTHUR.
- 3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,  
CIVIL SUPPLIES C.I.D.  
VIRUDHUNAGAR.
- 4 THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,  
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT, MADURAI.

ORDER  
IN

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