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Crl.O.P.No.513 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

Dated : 20.01.2025

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THE HONOURABLE Mr. JUSTICE **A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA**

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Deepa @ Deepa Lakshmi

... Petitioner

Vs

The State rep by
The Inspector of Police (Law & Order),
N4 – Fishing Harbour Police Station,
Chennai – 600 081.
Crime No.449 of 2024.

... Respondent

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 482 of of Bharatiya
Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, praying to grant anticipatory bail to the
petitioner/accused in the event of her arrest in Crime No.449 of 2024 on the
file of respondent police pending investigation.

For Petitioner : Mr.P.Ajai Kumar

For Respondent : Mr.Santhosh
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

Apprehending arrest in connection with Crime No.449 of 2024
registered for the offences punishable under Sections 8(c), 20(b)(ii)(B), 25 &
29(1) of NDPS Act, the present petition has been filed seeking anticipatory bail.



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2. Pleading innocence on the part of the petitioner, false implication in the case, learned counsel for the petitioner seeks indulgence of this Court. He would submit the petitioner is innocent and he has not committed any offence. He also submits that the petitioner is ready to abide by any stringent condition that may be imposed by this Court.

3. The case of the prosecution as putforth by the learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent Police, opposing for grant of anticipatory bail, is that the petitioner and other accused persons were in illegal possession of 1.200 Kg of Ganja. He further submits the petitioner has no previous case.

4. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate (Crl.side) for the respondent and perused the materials available on record.

5. Having heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) for the respondent Police and perused the materials available on record, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to



the petitioner with certain conditions and accordingly the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on her appearance within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned **XVI Metropolitan Magistrate, George Town, Chennai**, 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:

[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., until further orders ;

[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



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

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1. The Inspector of Police (Law & Order),
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2. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.



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