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Crl.O.P.No.330 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: **09.01.2025**

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA

CRL OP NO. 330 of 2025

1.Vasu

2.Sakthivel

3.Murugan

... petitioners

Vs

The State Rep by
The Inspector of Police,
V-4, Rajamangalam Police Station,
Chennai.

(Crime No.688 of 2024)

...Respondent

For petitioners : Mr.Dinesh Babu

For Respondent : Mr.S.Santhosh,
Government Advocate (Criminal Side)

ORDER

Apprehending arrest in connection with Crime No.688 of 2024 registered for the offence punishable under Sections 296(b), 287, 326(g), 324(4) and 351(3) of BNS, 2023, the present petition has been filed seeking anticipatory bail.

2.Pleading innocence on the part of the petitioners, false



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implication in the case, learned counsel for the petitioners seeks indulgence of this court. He submits that on 20.12.2024 there was a wordy quarrel between the first petitioner and the defacto complainant's daughter, due to which, the petitioners and others set fire to the two wheelers of the defacto complainant on 23.12.2024. He further submits that the accused, who set fire, was arrested and later granted bail on condition to deposit Rs.40,000/- and the said amount has also been deposited and the petitioners are 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 (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police, opposing for grant of anticipatory bail, is that due to matrimonial dispute between the first petitioner and his wife, the petitioners and others set fire on the two wheeler of the defacto complainant and caused loss to the tune of Rs.40,000/-. He would further submit that there is no previous case pending against these petitioners.

4.Having heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and the learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) for the respondent Police and perused the materials available on record, this court is inclined to



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grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners with certain conditions and accordingly, they are ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance.

5. Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before the **learned XIII Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai**, on condition that the petitioners shall execute a bond each for a sum of **Rs.15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen 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 petitioners 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 card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity;

[b]the petitioners shall report before the respondent police everyday at 10.30a.m., until further orders;

[c] the petitioners shall not tamper with evidence or



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witness either during investigation or trial;

[d] the petitioners 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 petitioners in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioners 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 abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS.

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To

1.XIII Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai.

2.The Inspector of Police,
V-4, Rajamangalam Police Station,
Chennai.

3.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.



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