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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. 507 of 2025

V.Santhosh Kumar @ Amai Santhosh
S/o. Vinayagam,

Petitioner(s)

Vs

State Rep By
Inspector Of Police,
F3, Nungambakkam Police Station,
Chennai.
Cr.No.236 Of 2024.

Respondent(s)

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya
Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, pleased to enlarge the petitioner on bail, in
connection with **Crime No.236 of 2024**, pending investigation on the file of the
respondent Police.

For Petitioner : Mr. P.Sridhar

For Respondent : Mr.Leonard Arul Joseph Selvam
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)



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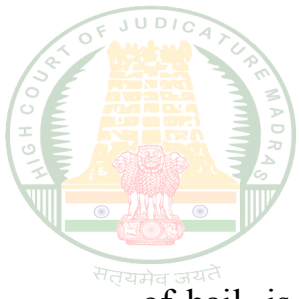
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ORDER

Petition seeking bail in respect of **Crime No.236 of 2024** registered for the offences punishable under Sections **8(C), 20(b)(ii)(B), 29(1) of NDPS Act** is on board for consideration.

2. The incarceration of the petitioner being from **18.12.2024** pleading innocence on the part of the petitioner and false implication in the case, the learned counsel for the petitioner seeks indulgence of this Court. He further submits that he is an innocent person and he was falsely implicated in this case. He would also submit that there is no recovery from this petitioner. He also submits that the petitioner, without prejudice to the defence and contention, is ready and willing to deposit a sum of **Rs.5000/-** to any welfare scheme of the Government or any other organization. He further 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 (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police, opposing for grant

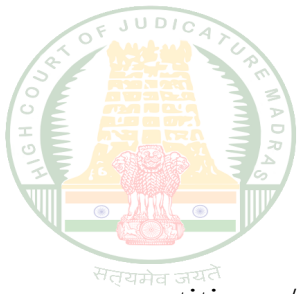


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of bail, is that on 02.08.2024 around 10.00 a.m., based on a secret information, the respondent police went to Valluvar Kottam, Nungambakkam and on search, the petitioner along with other accused were found in possession of 2.300 kg. of ganja and seized by them. He further submits that 18 previous cases pending against the petitioner, out of which 1 case registered under NDPS Act. He would also submit that totally, 7 accused involved in this case and the petitioner is arrayed as A4.

4. Considering the voluntary submission made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, the petitioner is directed to deposit a sum of **Rs.5000/- (Rupees five thousand only)** to the credit of the "**Manonmani Trust, Account Number 9945983362 IFSC Code : KKBK0000469, Kotak Mahindra Bank, Anna Nagar Branch (Home for needy in the name of Anbagam at Thirukandalam Village, Thiruvallur District)**" without prejudice to the right of defence before the Trial Court and making it clear that it would not amount to admission of guilt.

5. Further, having heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) for the respondent Police and perused the materials available on record, this court is inclined to grant bail to the



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petitioner/ with certain conditions and accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his executing a bond for a sum of **Rs.15,000/- (Rupees fifteen thousand only)** with **two sureties**, each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned **XIV Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Egmore, Chennai** and on further conditions that:

[a] 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 petitioner shall report before the respondent Police, everyday at 10.30 a.m., until further orders;

[c] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

[d] the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness 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



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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 269 of B.N.S.

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To

1. The XIV Metropolitan Magistrate Court,
Egmore, Chennai.
2. The Inspector of Police,
F-3, Nungambakkam Police Station,
Chennai Dt.
3. The Superintendent,
Central Prison,
Puzhal-II, Chennai.
4. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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