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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 28.01.2025

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA

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Vasantha Kumari
W/o.Bajaramam, No.56, 18t Street, Rajamangalam,
Villivakkam, Chennai -600 049.

Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State Rep by, The Inspector of Police,
The Inspector of police, V-4 Rajamangalam police
station, Chennai. (Crime No. 672 of 2024)

Respondent(s)

For Petitioner(s):

Sridhar P
M.Mythili

For Respondent(s): S.Santhosh
Government Advocate (criminal Side)

ORDER

Apprehending arrest in connection with Crime No.672 of 2024 registered for the offences punishable under Sections 274, 275, 123 of BNS and Section 24(1) of COTPA Act, 2003, the present petition has been filed by the petitioner seeking anticipatory bail.



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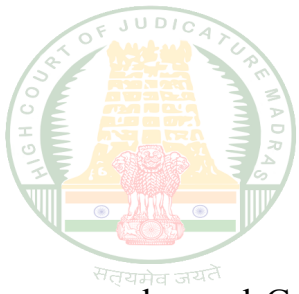
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2. Pleading innocence on the part of the petitioner, false implication in the case, learned counsel for the petitioner seek indulgence of this Court. He also submits that the petitioner, without prejudice to the defence and contention, is ready and willing to deposit a sum of Rs.5,000/- to any welfare scheme of the Government or any other organization and is ready to abide by any stringent condition that may be imposed by this court.

3. The case of the prosecution, as put forth by the learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police, opposing for grant of anticipatory bail, is that the petitioner along with other accused was found in possession of 5 kgs of banned tobacco products. He would further submit that, apart from this case, petitioner has no previous case.

4. Considering the voluntary submission made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, the petitioner is directed to deposit a sum of **Rs.5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only)** to the credit of the **"Tamil Nadu Legal Services Authority, Chennai"** 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



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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, he is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned **XIII Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai** on condition that the petitioner shall execute separate 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 card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity.

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police everyday at 06.30.p.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.



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[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 abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of B.N.S.

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To

1. The Inspector of Police,
The Inspector of police, V-4 Rajamangalam police station, Chennai
2. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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