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Crl.O.P.No.3238 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 14.02.2025

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE G.K. ILANTHIRAIYAN

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Chithrakumar @ Chithira Kumar

... Petitioner

Vs.

State, Rep. by
The Inspector of Police
Auroville Police Station
Villupuram District.
(Crime No.16 of 2025)

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of BNSS, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Crime No.16 of 2025, on the file of the respondent Police.

For petitioner : Mr.P.Muthamizhselvakumar

For Respondent : Mr.A.Gopinath
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

This Criminal Original Petition has been filed by the petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 16.12.2024, seeking bail in Crime No.16 of 2025 registered for the offence under Section 274, 275, 123 of BNS r/w. 77 Juvenile Justice Act r/w.24(1), 6(a), 6(b) of COTPA Act.



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3.Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He also submitted that the petitioner is ready to abide by any stringent conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prayed for grant of bail to the petitioner.

4.Learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police, while opposing for grant of bail to the petitioner, reiterated the prosecution case. The learned Government Advocate further submitted that there is a proposal pending against the petitioner to detain him under the Tamil Nadu Act 14 of 1982.

5.Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) for the respondent Police and perused the materials available on record.



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6.Considering the nature of allegations, period of incarceration undergone by the petitioner and the fact that there is a proposal pending against the petitioner to detain him under the Tamil Nadu Act 14 of 1982, this Court is not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is dismissed.

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To

1.The Inspector of Police
Auroville Police Station
Villupuram District.

2.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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G.K. ILANTHIRAIYAN, J.

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