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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 26.02.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE SUNDER MOHAN

Crl.O.P.No.5240 of 2025

Balaji @ Puffs

...Petitioner/Accused

Vs.

State rep by
The Inspector of Police,
G5, Secretariat Colony Police Station,
Chennai.

... Respondent

PRAYER: This criminal original petition has been filed under Section 483 of BNSS to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Crime No.20 of 2025 pending investigation on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.E.Gopalakrishnan

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



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ORDER

This Criminal Original Petition has been filed by the petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 02.02.2025, seeking bail in Crime No.20 of 2025 registered for the offence under Section 126(2), 296(b), 115(2), 351(3) of BNS.

2.It is the case of the prosecution that due to previous enmity, the petitioner along with the other accused abused the defacto complainant in filthy language, assaulted him with hands and caused injuries. Hence, the case.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the allegations are false; that the injured has been discharged from the hospital; that the petitioner has been in custody from 02.02.2025; and hence further custody of the petitioner is not required and prayed for the grant of bail.

4.Per contra, the learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) reiterated



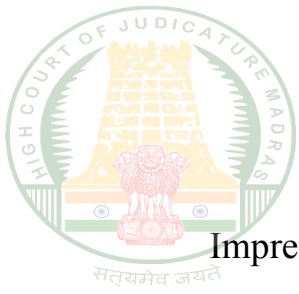
the prosecution case and submitted that there are three previous cases pending against the petitioner and the injured has been discharged from the hospital.

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.

6. Considering the nature of allegations, period of incarceration, the fact that the injured has been discharged from the hospital and the petitioner is on bail in all the cases and since further custody of the petitioner is not required for the purpose of investigation, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner with certain conditions:

7. 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 **II Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore Court**, 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 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]***;

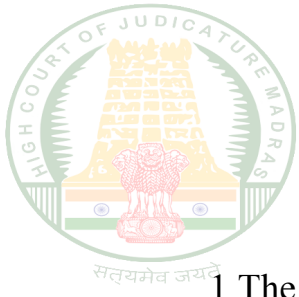
[f] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 B.N.S.

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G5, Secretariat Colony Police Station,
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2.II Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore.

3.Central Prison – II, Puzhal.

3.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.

SUNDER MOHAN, J.



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