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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: **21.03.2025**

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE SUNDER MOHAN

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Petitioner

Vs

The State Rep By
The Inspector of Police
Cheyyar Police Station,
Tiruvannamalai District.
(Crime No.100 of 2025)

Respondent

Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya
Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 to enlarge the petitioner/Accused on
anticipatory bail in the event of arrest in Crime No. 100 of 2025 pending
on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner	:	Mr.E.Sathiyaraj Elangovan
For Respondent	:	Mr.S.Santhosh, Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent
police for the offences punishable under Sections 12(1)(a), 12(1)(A)(a) of
the Passport Act, 1967, in Crime No.100 of 2025, on the file of the
respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.



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2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner is a Sri Lankan citizen; that on inspection by the respondent police, it was found that the petitioner and his mother stayed at Sri Lankan refugee camp and was residing in the village only for the past 5 years; that he had produced false documents and had obtained an aadhar card and ration card; and that all his documents and passport were seized.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is innocent; that he has been falsely implicated in this case; and in any case, custodial interrogation is not required and prayed for anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent police, while opposing the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, reiterated the prosecution case and on instructions, submitted that all the documents were seized.

5. Considering the nature of the allegations, the fact that all



the documents were seized, that the allegations are borne out by records,

this Court is of the view that custodial interrogation is not required.

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Hence, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before **the learned Judicial Magistrate, Cheyyar, Tiruvannamalai District** on condition that the petitioner shall execute a 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, and on proof of payment of deposits, 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.



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[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police everyday at 10:30 a.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.

[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 of B.N.S.

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To:

1. The Inspector of Police
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2. The Judicial Magistrate, Cheyyar,
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3. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court Madras.



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