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CRL O.P. No.8614 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

Dated : 24.03.2025

CORAM:

THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SUNDER MOHAN

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P. Ganapathi S/o. P. Pachai ... Petitioner / Accused-3

Vs

State rep. by:-

The Inspector Of Police,
D-1 Triplicane Police Station. ... Respondent
[Cr. No.73 of 2025]

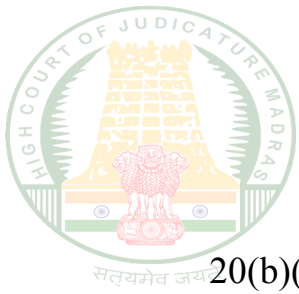
PRAYER: - The Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 482 of
B.N.S.S., praying to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner / Accused in
Crime No.73 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr. Jeevarathinam.M.

For Respondent : Mr. S. Balaji
Government Advocate
[Criminal side]

ORDER

The petitioner / Accused, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the
respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 8(c),



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20(b)(ii)(B) and 29(1) of NDPS Act in connection with the case in Crime

No.73 of 2025, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the accused were found in possession of 1.100 kgs of Ganja; and that the petitioner has been implicated based on the confession of the co-accused.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner would contend that the petitioner is innocent; that he has been falsely implicated, based on the confession of the co-accused; that in any case, the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required in this case and hence prayed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side), on instructions, while opposing the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner, reiterated the prosecution case and on instructions, submitted that the petitioner has ten previous cases registered for the offences under IPC; that the petitioner is on bail in all the other cases; that the petitioner



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has no previous cases of similar nature; and that contraband has been seized.

5. Taking note of the facts and circumstances of the case, nature of allegations, submissions made by the learned counsels on either side, the fact that the contraband was seized, he has been implicated based on the confession of the co-accused, the petitioner is on bail in all the other previous cases and since, custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required for the purpose of investigation, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner on 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 of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned **II Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai** on condition that petitioner shall execute a 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



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the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned, failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed and on further conditions 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 daily 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



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

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To

- 1.The II Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai.
2. The Public Prosecutor, High Court, Madras.
- 3.The Inspector Of Police, D-1 Triplicane Police Station.

SUNDER MOHAN. J.,

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