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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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Manikandan @ Masilamani

Petitioner

Vs

The State Rep By
The Inspector of Police
Thirukannapuram Police Station,
Nagapattinam District.
(Crime No.135 of 2022)

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. 135 of 2022 pending on
the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner	:	Mr.Muthamizh Selvakumar P
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 457 and 380 of the IPC,
in Crime No.135 of 2022, on the file of the respondent police, seeks
anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner/A3, along



with the other accused, committed theft at the de facto complainant's house of gold jewels and cash of Rs.1,80,000/-.

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3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is innocent; he has been falsely implicated in this case; that the co-accused were arrested and released on bail 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 a sum of Rs.96,000/- and gold articles were recovered from the first and second accused and that the petitioner has no bad antecedents.

5. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case, the submissions made by either sides, the nature of the allegations, the petitioner has no bad antecedents; that the co-accused were arrested and released on bail; that some of the properties were recovered and since,



custodial interrogation is not required, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

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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 Court No.II, Nagapattinam** 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.

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police everyday at 10:30 a.m., until further orders.



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[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.

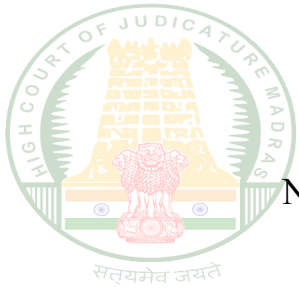
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To:

1. The Inspector of Police
Thirukannapuram Police Station,

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2. The Judicial Magistrate Court No.II,
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3. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court Madras.

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