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Crl.O.P.No.8687 of 2025



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: **24-03-2025**

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE SUNDER MOHAN

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1. Pappannan
S/o. Duraisamy
2. Rajendiran
S/o. Chinnaamy

....Petitioners

Vs

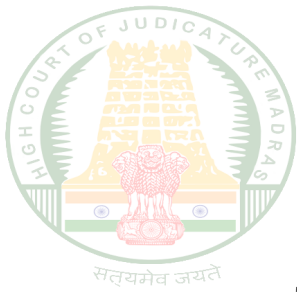
The State Rep. by
The Sub Inspector of Police,
PEW Vellore

....Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the petitioners on anticipatory bail in the event of their arrest **in Crime No.39 of 2025**, pending on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioners : Mr. Jawahar Balasundaram

For Respondent : Mr. S. Balaji
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)



ORDER

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The petitioners, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 4(1)(A), 4(1)(C) and 4(1-A)ii of the Tamil Nadu Prohibition Act, in Crime No.39 of 2025, on the file of the respondent police, seek anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that, the petitioners were found in possession of 40 litres of illicit arrack. Hence, this case.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioners would submit that the petitioners are innocent and that the petitioners had not committed any offence and prayed for anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

4. Learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and on instructions submitted that the petitioners have no previous cases; and that the investigation is pending.

5. Taking note of the facts and circumstances of the case,



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considering the nature of allegation against the petitioners, submissions made by the learned counsels on either side, the fact that the petitioners have no previous cases and since custodial interrogation of the petitioners is not required for the purpose of investigation, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners with certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before **the learned Judicial Magistrate No.I, Vellore**, on condition that each of the 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 the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned, failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed and on further condition that:

[a] the petitioners 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 petitioners shall report before the



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respondent police everyday at 10:30 a.m., until further orders.

[c] the petitioners shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial.

[d] the petitioners 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 petitioners in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioners 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 abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of B.N.S.

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To

1. The Judicial Magistrate No.I, Vellore.



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2. The Sub Inspector of Police,
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3. The Public Prosecutor, High Court, Madras



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