



Crl.OP.No.11850 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

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DATED : 22.04.2025

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUNDER MOHAN

Crl.O.P.No.11850 of 2025

Punith

.. Petitioner / Accused 1

Vs.

The State rep by
The Inspector of Police,
Vigilance and Anti-Corruption,
Ranipet.
(Crime No.01 of 2025)

.. Respondent / Complainant

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of BNSS, pleaded to enlarge the petitioner on bail connected in Crime No.01 of 2025, pending investigation on the file of the respondent Police.

For Petitioner : Mr.P.Ezhil Nilavan

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



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ORDER

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2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner along with the other accused demanded a bribe from the defacto complainant for converting a domestic electricity connection to a commercial connection for the hotel run by the defacto complainant; that the petitioner along with the other accused received a sum of Rs.50,000/- on 18.03.2025 and again demanded another Rs.50,000/- and received the same; and that a trap was conducted and the petitioner along with the other accused were arrested. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the allegations are false and in any case, considering the period of incarceration, further custody of the petitioner is not required and sought for bail.



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4. Per contra, the learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that the petitioner was arrested during trap proceedings.

5. Heard the learned counsel on either side and perused the materials available on record.

6. Considering the aforesaid facts, the nature of allegations, period of incarceration, this Court is of the view that further custody of the petitioner is not required for the purpose of investigation. Hence, 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 **learned Chief Judicial Magistrate, Ranipet**, and on further conditions



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[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



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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.

**22.04.2025
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Index : Yes / No
Internet : Yes / No
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To

1. The Inspector of Police,
Vigilance and Anti-Corruption,
Ranipet.
2. The learned Chief Judicial Magistrate,
Ranipet.
3. The Superintendent of Prison,
Special Prison for Women, Vellore.
4. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.



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SUNDER MOHAN, J.
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