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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 21.04.2025

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUNDER MOHAN

Crl.O.P.No.11734 of 2025

Vinoth S/o. Michael ... Petitioner/Accused-4

Vs.

The State represented by:
The Inspector of Police,
Sholavaram Police Station,
Tiruvallur District.
(Crime No.189 of 2019). ... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of BNSS, pleased to enlarge the petitioner on bail, in connection with the Crime No.189 of 2019, pending investigation on the file of the respondent Police.

For Petitioner : Mr. P. Chandrasekar

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

ORDER

This Criminal Original Petition has been filed by the petitioner/accused, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 25.03.2025, seeking bail in Crime No.189 of 2019 registered for the offences under Section 399 of IPC.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner along with other accused was preparing to commit dacoity. Hence, the case.

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3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent and he has been falsely implicated in this case; that he is in custody from 25.03.2025; and that further custody is not required for the purpose of investigation. Hence, he prayed for grant of bail to the petitioner.

4. Learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police, reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that, the petitioner is also involved in 12 other previous cases and investigation is pending. Further, the learned Government Advocate confirmed that in all other previous cases, the petitioner is on bail.

5. Considering the nature of allegations, period of incarceration, the petitioner is on bail in all the previous cases and since further custody is not required for the purpose of investigation, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

6. 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 **Judicial**

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Magistrate-II, Ponneri and on further conditions that:

[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 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.

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To

1. The Judicial Magistrate-II,
   Ponneri.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Sholavaram Police Station,
Tiruvallur District.

3. The Superintendent,
   Central Prison, Puzhal, Chennai.

4. The Public Prosecutor,
   High Court of Madras.

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