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Crl.O.P.No.15490 of 2025



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 23.06.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE G.K.ILANTHIRAIYAN

Crl.O.P.No.15490 of 2025

Amalapattu Raja

... Petitioner

Vs.

State represented by,
The Inspector of Police,
Kovilpalayam Police Station,
Coimbatore District.
(Crime No.155 of 2025)

... Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition has been filed under Section 482 of BNSS to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of his arrest in Crime No.155 of 2025 pending on the file of the respondent Police.

For Petitioner : Mr.Muthupandi.V

For Respondent : Mr.R.Vinothraja
Government Advocate (Criminal Side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent Police for the offences punishable under Section 24(1) of the Cigarette and other Tobacco Products Act, 2003 r/w Section 123 of BNS in Crime No.155 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.



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2. The case of the prosecution is that the accused were found to be in illegal possession of 1400 kilograms of banned tobacco products. Hence the case.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that only based on the confession statement recorded from the co-accused, the petitioner was implicated in this case. Hence, he prayed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. Learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) for the respondent Police and perused the materials available on record.

6. Considering the above facts and circumstances of the case and also taking note of the fact that the petitioner has come forward to deposit an amount of Rs.1,00,000/- to the credit of Arignar Anna Memorial Cancer Hospital & Research Institute, Kancheepuram and since, the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required for the



purpose of investigation, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

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7. Accordingly, the petitioner shall deposit a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only) as non-refundable deposit by way of Demand Draft to the **Arignar Anna Memorial Cancer Hospital & Research Institute, Kancheepuram** and on such deposit and production of proof, 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 **District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Annur**, on condition that 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 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., for a period of two weeks and thereafter, as and when required for



interrogation;

[c] the petitioner shall not abscond during 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 of B.N.S.

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To

1. The District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Annur.
2. The Inspector of Police, Kovilpalayam Police Station, Coimbatore District.
3. The Public Prosecutor, High Court, Madras.



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