



CrI.O.P.No.15598 of 2025

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 21.05.2025

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE N.SENTHILKUMAR

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Manoranjan @ Manoj Kumar

.....Petitioner/ A1

Vs.

The State rep by
The Inspector of Police,
P-6, Kodungaiyur police Station
Chennai
Crime No.223 of 2025

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of B.N.S.S., 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Cr.No.223 of 2025 pending investigation on the file of the Respondent Police.

For Petitioner : M/s.S.Ambedkar
For Respondent : M/s.V.J.Priyadarsana
Government Advocate (CrI.Side)



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ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 25.04.2025, for the alleged offences punishable under Sections 8(c) r/w 20(b)(ii)(B) and 29(1) of NDPS Act, 1985, in Crime No.223 of 2025, on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner/A1 along with other accused were found to be in illegal possession of 1.250 Kg of Ganja. Hence, the case.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He would submit that the petitioner has been in judicial custody from 25.04.2025. He further submitted that the petitioner is ready to abide by any stringent condition that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prayed for grant of bail to the petitioner.



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4. Learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police, while opposing for grant of bail to the petitioner, reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that there are three accused in this case and the petitioner was arrested on 25.04.2025.

5. Heard both sides and perused the materials available on record including FIR.

6. Considering the submissions of the learned counsel on either side, the period of incarceration undergone by the petitioner and also considering the fact that co-accused had already been granted bail by this Court in Crl.O.P.No.15126 of 2025, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his executing 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 learned **X Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai** and on further conditions that:-



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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 for a period of two months and thereafter, as and when required for interrogation;

[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 51340]***;

[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 X Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai

2. The Inspector of Police,
P-6, Kodungaiyur police Station
Chennai

3.The Superintendent,
Puzhal Prison-II, Chennai.

4.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.

N.SENTHILKUMAR,J.



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