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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 09.06.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.NIRMAL KUMAR

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... Petitioner

Vs.

State rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
Kariyalur Police Station,
Kallakurichi District.
Crime No.100 of 2025.

... Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya
Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the Petitioner/Accused on bail in
Crime No.100 of 2025 pending on the file of the Respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.P.Praveen

For Respondent : Mr.L.Baskaran
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on
07.05.2025, for the offence punishable under Section 25 (1B) (a) and 25 (1) (a)
Arms Act, 1959, in connection with Crime No.100 of 2025, registered on the file
of the respondent, seeks bail.



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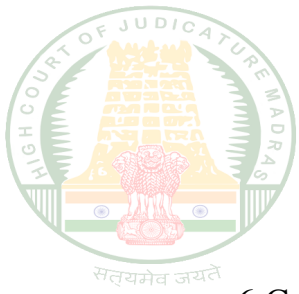
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2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner along with other accused illegally cut down the trees and attempted to transport the same. They also found in illegal possession of country made guns. Hence, the case.

3.The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has been falsely implicated in this case. The petitioner is in judicial custody from 07.05.2025 and hence, further custody of the petitioner is not required. He also 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.

4.The 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 the petitioner was found in illegal possession of country made guns.

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



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6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, submissions made by the learned counsels on either side and the period of incarceration undergone by the petitioner, 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.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only)** with **two sureties**, each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned **Judicial Magistrate, Sankarapuram, Kallakurichi District**, and on further conditions that:

[a] the sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the Application for Surety ship [Judicial Form No.46 annexed to 'The Criminal Rules of Practice, 2019']. The learned Magistrate shall obtain a copy of any one of the identity proofs to ensure their identity;

[b] **the petitioner shall report before the respondent Police daily at 10.30.a.m., for a period of two weeks and thereafter as and when required for interrogation;**

[c] the petitioner shall make himself available for interrogation by a Police Officer as and when required;

[d] the petitioner shall not directly or indirectly cause any threat to the de facto complainant and witnesses;



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[e] the petitioner to give an undertaking that if required for being identified by witnesses during investigation or for police custody beyond the first fifteen days, he shall comply to the directions as may be given by the Court in this regard;

[f] On breach of any of the aforementioned conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to pass appropriate orders against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the aforementioned 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)13 SCC 283]**;

[g] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of B.N.S.

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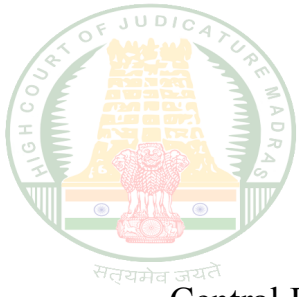
To

1.The Judicial Magistrate,
Sankarapuram,
Kallakurichi District.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Kariyalur Police Station,
Kallakurichi District.

3.The Superintendent,

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4. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.

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