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CRL OP No. 16565 of 2025



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 12-06-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE M. NIRMAL KUMAR

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C. ESAKKIMUTHU

Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State Rep By, The Inspector of
Police
Udumalpet Police Station, Thiruppur
District. Crime No.344 of 2025.

Respondent(s)

PRAYER

This Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 482 of BNSS Act to enlarge the petitioner on bail pending investigation in Crime No.344 of 2025 on the file of respondent police.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.D.Ilayaraja

For Respondent(s): Mr.R.Vinothraja GA (Crl. Side)



ORDER

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The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Section 123 & 286 of BNS (Sections 328 & 284 of IPC) in Crime No.344 of 2025, on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on the date of occurrence, the respondent police conducted raid and found the petitioner and other accused had illegally possessed 30 Cool Lip Packets (each in 100 grams), 17 Ganesh Packets (each in 200 grams) of tobacco products in a gunny bag, which was banned by the Government. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is innocent and has been falsely implicated in this case. Petitioner is ready to abide any conditions that may be imposed by this Court and ready to furnish sufficient solvent sureties for his release. Hence, the learned counsel prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.



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4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that the contraband was seized from the accused and opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

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

6. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel appearing on either sides, the contraband was seized from the accused and since, custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not required, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the



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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 Judicial Magistrate, Udumalpet** 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, and on proof of payment of deposits, failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed and on further condition that:

[a] if the petitioner fails to surrender before the said Magistrate within a period of fifteen days, this Order shall stand automatically cancelled;

[b] The sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the Application for Suretyship [Judicial Form No.46 annexed to 'The Criminal Rules of Practice, 2019']. The learned Magistrate shall obtain a copy of any one of identify proofs to ensure their identity;

[c] **the petitioner shall report before the respondent Police everyday at 10.30 a.m., for a period of two weeks;**



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[d] The petitioner shall deposit a sum of Rs.25,000/-(Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) (Non refundable) towards the account of CANCER INSTITUTE (WIA), Adayar, Savings Bank Account maintained at Andhra Bank, Madhya Kailash Branch, Cancer Institute(WIA), Dr.S.Krishnamurthi Campus, Sardar Patel Road, Chennai-36, bearing SB Account No.149710011005477, IFS Code No.ANDB0001497, Branch Name and Code 1497, MICR No.600011049 and to produce the Bank Challan before the Judicial Magistrate, Udumalpet and the receipt shall be produced at the time of executing the bond;

[e] the petitioner shall not directly or indirectly cause any threat to the defacto complainant and witnesses and shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

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

[g] 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;



[h] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

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[i] 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];

[j] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS.

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Udumalpet Police Station, Thiruppur
District. Crime No.344 of 2025.

2. The Judicial Magistrate,
Udumalpet.

3. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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