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Crl.O.P.No.16971 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 11.07.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.NIRMAL KUMAR

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... Petitioner/A1

Vs.

State represented by,
The Inspector of Police,
P.E.W. Ambattur Police Station,
Avadi City.
(Cr.No.543 of 2024)

... Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya
Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Crime
No.543 of 2024 pending on the file of the respondent.

For Petitioner : M/s.T.I.Ramanathan

For Respondent : Mr.R.Vinoth Raja
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody
on 30.10.2024, for the offence punishable under Sections 8(c) read with
Sections 20(b)(ii)(B), 29(1) of NDPS Act in Crime No.543 of 2024,
registered on the file of the respondent, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner along with



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other accused were found in possession of 14 kgs of ganja. Hence, the case.

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3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person, he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution and he has been falsely implicated in this case. 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.

4. Learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and opposed for grant of bail to the petitioner. He further submitted that, apart from this case, there are 17 previous cases pending against the petitioner, out of which, two cases are similar in nature registered in Crime No.27 of 2023 on the file of the Mamallapuram PEW and in Crime No.477 of 2023 on the file of the Egmore Police Station

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, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner with certain conditions. **The learned Principal Special Judge for EC & NDPS Act cases, Chennai is directed to list the present case in Crime No.543 of 2024 and Crime No.27 of 2023 on the file of the Mamallapuram PEW and in Crime No.477 of 2023 on the file of the Egmore Police Station together and complete the trial within a stipulated time.**

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 **Principal Special Court for Exclusive Trial of Cases under NDPS Act, Chennai** 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;



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[b] the petitioner shall report before the trial Court on every 2nd & 4th Tuesday of every month at 10.30.a.m., until furthers;

[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;

[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



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FIR can be registered under Section 269 of B.N.S.

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To

1. Principal Special Court for Exclusive Trial of Cases under NDPS Act,
Chennai
2. The Inspector of Police,
P.E.W. Ambattur Police Station,
Avadi City.
3. The Central prison-II,
Puzhal, Chennai.
4. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.

M.NIRMAL KUMAR, J.



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