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CRL OP No. 17122 of 2025



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 16-06-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE M. NIRMAL KUMAR

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V.Inbanathan

Petitioner

Vs

State rep.

The Station House Officer,
A.W.P.S Neyveli, Cuddalore District.
Crime No.22 of 2025

Respondent

PRAYER Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Crime No.22 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, The Station House Officer, A.W.P.S Neyveli, Cuddalore District.

For Petitioner: Mr.S.Vinoth Kumar

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

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on



11.05.2025, for the offence punishable under Sections 7, 8 of POCSO Act, 2012

and Section 67 of the Information Technology Act, 2000 in connection with

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Crime No.22 of 2025, registered on the file of the respondent, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner aged about 60 years who is a neighbour to the victim girl aged about 14 years, had committed a sexual assault to her and also threatened to publish the video online. Hence, the case.

3. The contention of the petitioner is that the petitioner is innocent and has been falsely implicated in this case and there is no previous case against the petitioner. The learned counsel further submitted that the petitioner is suffering incarceration from 11.05.2025 and the petitioner undertakes to avoid entering the Neyveli Township till completion of trial and will not cause disturbance to the victim minor girl. 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 further submitted that if



the petitioner is released on bail, he would tamper the witnesses and endangering the life of the victim, and that the investigation is still pending and strongly opposed for release of the petitioner on bail.

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

6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, nature of allegations, 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 Special Court for Exclusive Trial of Cases under POCSO Act, Cuddalore** and on further conditions that:

[a] the sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the Application for Surety ship [Judicial



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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 not enter the Neyveli Township till completion of trial and shall not disturb the victim girl.

[c] 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 further interrogation;

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

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

[f] 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;

[g] On breach of any of the aforementioned conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to pass appropriate



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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]**;

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

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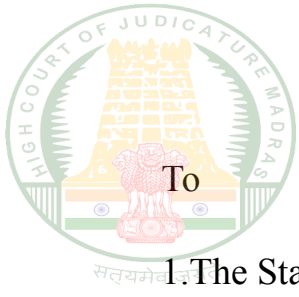
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To

1. The Station House Officer,
A.W.P.S Neyveli,

Cuddalore District.

Crime No.22 of 2025

2. The Superintendent,

Central Prison, Cuddalore.

3. The Special Court for Exclusive Trial
of Cases under POCSO Act, Cuddalore.

4. The Public Prosecutor,

High Court of Madras.



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