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CrI.O.P.No.19111 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 10.09.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE T.V.THAMILSELVI

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Vasanth @ Vasantharaj

... Petitioner/A2

Vs.

State Rep. By
The Station House Officer,
Orleanpet Police Station,
Puducherry.
(Crime No.174 of 2020)

... Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on anticipatory bail in the event of his arrest in Spl.S.C.No.6 of 2025 on the file of the learned Special Judge (under NDPS Act) III Additional Sessions Judge, Puducherry, pending trial.

For Petitioner : Mr.Yuva Raj

For Respondent : Mr.K.S.Mohandass
Public Prosecutor (Pondy)



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ORDER

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The petitioner herein apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 20(b)(ii)(B) r/w 8(c) of NDPS Act 1985 @ Section 20(b)(ii)(B) r/w 8(c) of NDPS Act 1985 r/w Section 3(5) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (34 of Indian Penal Code) in Crime No.174 of 2020, on the file of the respondent Police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner and other accused were found in illegal possession of 1.3 kgs of ganja. Hence, the present complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has been falsely implicated in this case. Hence, he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent police, reiterated the prosecution case and opposed the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Heard the learned counsels on either side and perused the materials



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6. Considering the nature of the complaint, 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 event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of ten days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order before the learned **Special Judge (under NDPS Act) III Additional Sessions Judge, Puducherry**, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of **Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only)** with two sureties, **in which one surety must be a blood surety** for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned and on further condition that:

[a] if the petitioner fails to surrender before the concerned Magistrate within a period of ten days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, this order shall stand automatically cancelled;

[b] 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



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copy of any one of the identity proofs to ensure their identity;

[c] the petitioner shall report before the Trial Court on every Tuesday at 10.30 a.m., for a period of four months.

[d] 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]**;

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

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To

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- 3.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.

T.V.THAMILSELVI, J.

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