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CRL OP No. 18883 of 2025



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 02-07-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE M. NIRMAL KUMAR

CRL OP Nos.18879 & 18883 of 2025

1. Vijayasarithi
2. Arumugam
3. Dinesh
4. Lokesh
5. Madhaiyan

... Petitioners in CrI.O.P.No.18879 of 2025

1. Karunakaran
2. Elavarasan
3. Manikandan
4. Poovarasan
5. Lokesh
6. Sambath

Petitioner(s) in
CrI.O.P.No.18883 of 2025

Vs



State rep by The Inspector of Police
Kallavi Police Station,
Krishnagiri District.
Cr.No.155/2025

Respondent(s) in both
Crl.OPs'

COMMON PRAYER

These petitions are filed under Section 483 of BNSS Act 2023, to enlarge the petitioners on bail pending investigation in Cr.No.155 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police.

In Both Crl.O.Ps':

For Petitioner(s): Mr.J.Pradeep

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

COMMON ORDER

Since the relief sought for by the petitioners in both the Criminal Original Petitions are one and the same, both petitions are being disposed of by way of common order.

2. The petitioners, who were arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 11.06.2025, for the offences punishable under Sections 191(2), 191(3), 126(2),



296(b), 118(2) and 288 of BNSS 2023 and Section 4 of the Tamil Nadu Property

(Prevention of Damage and Loss) Act, 1992 in connection with Crime No.155

of 2025, registered on the file of the respondent, seeks bail.

3. The case of the prosecution is that on June 10, 2025, the petitioners along with other accused obstructed a school bus bearing Reg.No. TN 24 AA 4855 belonging to SRV Matriculation School near Mariamman Temple in Rettipatti Village, verbally abused the driver of the bus, threw a lit firecracker at the bus window, shattering the glass and causing injuries to five children. Hence, the case.

4. The learned counsel for the petitioners would submit that the petitioners are innocent and they have been falsely implicated in this case. The learned counsel further submitted that petitioners are ready to abide by any stringent condition that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prayed for grant of bail to the petitioners.



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5. Learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution's case, and on instructions submitted that the petitioner's action resulted in causing injuries to five school going children and also the driver of the bus. Learned counsel further submitted that the case is still under investigation and releasing of the petitioners on bail at this stage could lead to tampering of witnesses and interference with the investigation. Therefore, he strongly opposed for granting bail to the petitioners.

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

7. 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 petitioners, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioners with certain conditions.

8. Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail on their executing a separate 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, Uthangarai and on further conditions that:

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[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 petitioners 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] each of the eleven petitioners shall deposit a sum of Rs.6,000/- (Rupees Six Thousand Only) to the school account (Account Name : SRV Matriculation School of Excellency , Bank name: Indian Bank, Pochampalli, Account Number: 6024238536, IFSC Code: IDIB000P037 and upon receipt of the said amount, the school management shall disburse a sum of Rs.7,500/- (Rupees Seven Thousand and Five Hundred Only) each to the five injured children and Rs.7,500/- to the Driver of the bus and the remaining amount shall be utilized by the school management for repairing the bus; and to produce the Bank Challan before the Judicial Magistrate, Uthangarai and the receipt shall be produced at the time of executing the bond;



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

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

[f] the petitioners 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 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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To

1. The Inspector of Police
Kallavi Police Station, Krishnagiri
District.

2. The Judicial Magistrate,
Uthangarai.
3. The District Jail, Dharmapuri.
4. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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