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Crl.O.P.No.20318 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 18.07.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.NIRMAL KUMAR

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Sangeetha

... Petitioner/A1

Vs.

State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep by the Inspector of Police,
Kannamangalam Police Station,
Thiruvannamalai District.
(Crime No.240 of 2025)

... Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya
Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail pending
investigation in Crime No.240 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.Vignesh

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

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody
on 30.05.2025, for the offence punishable under Sections 194 of BNS, 2023
@ 103(2), 127(2), 138, 191(2), 191(3), 238, 296(b) of BNS, 2023 (159 of
IPC @ New Section 342, 362, 147, 148, 201, 294(b) of I.P.C.) in connection



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with Crime No.240 of 2025, registered on the file of the respondent, seeks bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner along with other accused assaulted the deceased and committed murder. Hence, the case.

3.The learned counsel for petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and she is no way connected with the alleged offence. He further submitted that the petitioner is ready to abide by any stringent conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prayed to grant bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police submitted that the deceased is the husband of the petitioner. There was a matrimonial dispute between the petitioner and deceased. On the date of occurrence, the deceased went to the petitioner's parents house in a drunken mood and picked up a quarrel. At that time the petitioner along with other accused assaulted the deceased with wooden log. On the same day, they took the deceased to their Farm house and threw the body in a Well along with his bike to project as though he fell in the Well in a



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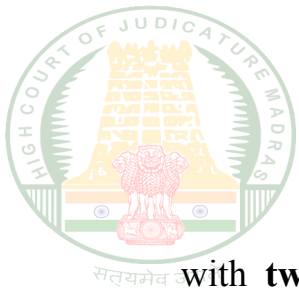
drunken state. Hence, he strongly opposed for granting bail to the petitioner.

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5.Heard the learned counsel appearing on both sides.

6.Considering the submissions made on either side and on perusal of the material, it is seen that deceased is the husband of the petitioner. There was a matrimonial dispute between the petitioner and deceased. On the date of occurrence, the deceased came to the petitioner's parents house in a drunken mood and picked up a quarrel, hence there was an assault. Thereafter, the other accused took the deceased to their Farm house, further assaulted him and threw the body in a Well along with his bike to project the death was for other reasons. As regards this petitioner, she was present at the time of initial assault at the home alone and she has got two children. Considering the same, 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 her executing a bond for a sum of **Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only)**



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with **two sureties**, each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned **Judicial Magistrate, Arni** 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;

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police everyday at 10.30 a.m. until further orders;

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

[d] 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, she shall comply to the directions as may be given by the Court in this regard;

[e] 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



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the Hon'ble Supreme Court in **P.K.Shaji vs. State of Kerala [(2005)13 SCC 283]**;

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

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M.NIRMAL KUMAR, J.

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To

1.The Judicial Magistrate,
Arni.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Kannamangalam Police Station,
Thiruvannamalai District.

3.The Superintendent,
Special Prison for Women
Vellore.

4.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.

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