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Crl.O.P.No.20682 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 23.07.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE M.NIRMAL KUMAR

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M.Murugan

... Petitioner

Vs.

The State represented by
The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Krishnagiri,
Krishnagiri District.

F.I.R. No.10/AC/2025

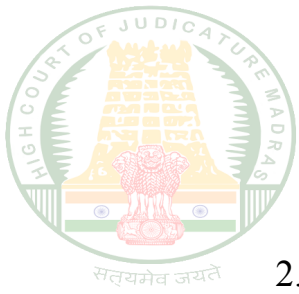
... Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya
Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in F.I.R.
No.10/AC/2025 on the file of the respondent.

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

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on
24.06.2025, for the offence punishable under Section 7 (a) of the Prevention
of Corruption Act, 1988 as amended by the PC Amendment Act, 2018, in
F.I.R. No.10/AC/2025, registered on the file of the respondent, seeks bail.



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2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner is working as an Assistant Engineer (TNEB) in Paththalapalli Unit, Hosur Taluk, Krishnagiri District. On 24.06.2025 at about 12.35 p.m. at his office, he demanded bribe money of Rs.40,000/- from the defacto-complainant to change the EB connection name from the defacto-complainant's wife to the defacto-complainant. On the same day, the defacto-complainant approached the respondent police at 2.00 p.m. and F.I.R. was registered at 2.30 p.m. Thereafter, trap was conducted and the petitioner caught red handed. The phenolphthalein test confirms the same. Hence, the case.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is innocent person and he has been falsely implicated in this case. The petitioner is in judicial custody from 24.06.2025 and hence, further custody of the petitioner is not required. 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.The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and opposed for grant of



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bail to the petitioner.

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

6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, 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 **Principal District and Session Judge, Krishnagiri** 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 daily at 10.30.a.m., for a period of four weeks;**



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thereafter as and when required for interrogation;

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

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To

- 1.The Principal District and Session Judge, Krishnagiri.
- 2.The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Krishnagiri,
Krishnagiri District.
- 3.The District Jail, Dharmapuri.
- 4.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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