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CRL OP No. 21779 of 2025



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 11-09-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE T.V.THAMILSELVI

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J.Kumaravel

S/o.Jayaraman, Residing At No.7/76,
Anna Nagar Street, Kodiyakkarai,
Vedaranyam, Nagapattinam - 617 807.

Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu Represented
by The Inspector of Police,
Vedaranyam Police Station,
Nagapattinam District.
Tamil Nadu – 614810.
Crime No.88 of 2025

Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of BNSS to
enlarge the Petitioner on bail in the event of arrest in FIR Crime No.88 of 2025
pending on the file of Vedaranyam Police Station, Nagapattinam District.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.P.V.Rahul

For Respondent(s): Mr.S.Udayakumar

Government Advocate (Crl. Side)



ORDER

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The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Section 303(2) of BNS, 2023 and 21(1) of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 in Crime No.88 of 2025 on the file of respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that, on 28.03.2025, based on an information, when the defacto complainant who is the Assistant Geologist, along with his officials were on patrol duty, found a Mahindra Tractor (without number place) with one unit of ordinary sand. Hence, this case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution and he has been falsely implicated in this case since he is the driver of the vehicle. However, on instructions he would further submit that without prejudice to his right and contentions, the petitioner is prepared to deposit/pay some considerable amount as may be directed by this court. Hence, he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for respondent police opposed for the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner by reiterating the prosecution case. However, he submitted that there is no previous case against the petitioner.

5. Considering the above facts and circumstances of the case and also of the fact that there is no previous case against the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.



6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before the **learned District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Vedaranyam** on condition that **the petitioner shall deposit a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) as non-refundable deposit to the credit of the registered Advocate Clerks Association, Nagapattinam** and the petitioner shall also execute 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 respondent police or the police officer who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned, failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed and on further condition that:

[a] the petitioner and the sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the surety bond and the Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity.

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police on every Saturday at 10.30 a.m. for the period of eight weeks and thereafter as and when required for interrogation.

[c] the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial.

[d] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial.



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[e] On breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioners in accordance with law as if the 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)AIR SCW 5560]**.

[f] If the petitioner thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS.

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1. The District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate,
Vedaranyam

2. The Inspector of Police,
Vedaranyam Police Station,
Nagapattinam District.
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3. The Public Prosecutor
High Court of Madras, Chennai



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