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Crl.O.P.No.21959 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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1.Soniya
2.M.Rajendiran

... Petitioners

Vs.

The State Rep. By,
The Sub-Inspector of Police,
Veppankuppam Police Station,
Anaicut Taluk,
Vellore District.
Crime No.217 of 2025

... Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the petitioners on anticipatory bail to the petitioners in the event of their arrest in Crime No.217 of 2025, on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioners : Mr.A.Gouthaman

For Respondent : Mr.S.Udayakumar
Government Advocate (Criminal Side)



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ORDER

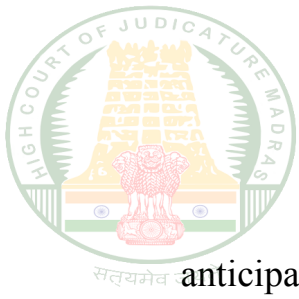
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The petitioners were apprehending arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 296(b), 115(2), 118(1), 351(3) of BNS Act read with Section 4 of Women Harassment Act, in Crime No.217 of 2025, on the file of the respondent Police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioners and the de facto complainant are close relatives. There was a money dispute between the petitioners and the de facto complainant. Due to which, a wordy quarrel arose between them. It is alleged that the petitioners assaulted the de facto complainant. Hence, the present complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocent persons and they have been falsely implicated in this case. Hence, he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

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



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anticipatory bail to the petitioners, stating that the case is a case-in-counter.
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5. Heard the learned counsels on either side and perused the materials available on record.

6. Considering the nature of the complaint and the cause of the dispute, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners with certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance, within a period of ten days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order before the learned **Additional Mahila Magistrate Court Vellore (FTC)**, on condition that the petitioners shall 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 learned Magistrate concerned and on further condition that:

[a] if the petitioners fail 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;



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

[c] the petitioners shall report before the respondent police as and when required for interrogation;

[d] On breach of any of the aforementioned conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to pass appropriate orders against the petitioners in accordance with law as if the aforementioned conditions have been imposed and the petitioners 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.



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T.V.THAMILSELVI, J.

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