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CRL OP No. 24404 of 2025



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 08-09-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE T.V.THAMILSELVI

CRL OP No. 24404 of 2025

Sugavaneshwaran
S/o.Parthiyaraj,
Door No.97, Shangakeri Branch Road,
Annadhanapatty, Salem.

Petitioner(s)

Vs

State Rep.by its,
The Inspector of Police
Annadhanapatty Police Station,
Salem.
Cr.No.356 of 2025.

Respondent(s)

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PRAYER

To enlarge the petitioner on bail in the above Crime.no. 356 of 2025 on the file of the respondent.

For Petitioner(s): Mr. S.Senthilvel

For Respondent(s): Mr. A.Gopinath,
Govt. Advocate (Crl. Side)

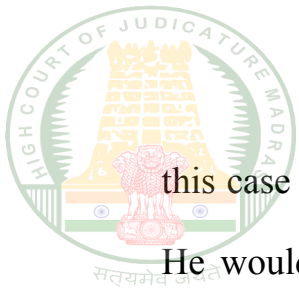
**ORDER**

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The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 27.07.2025 for the alleged offence under Sections 24(1) r/w 6 of Cigarette and other Tobacco Products Act, 2003 and Sec.77 of The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 in Crime No.356 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of prosecution is that on 26.07.2025 around 20.30 hours, on a secret information regarding selling of banned tobacco products to school boys and adults in BGD Beeda shop situated on the opposite to Annadhanapatty Mariyamman Temple, the respondent police and other police personnel went there, they have intercepted the petitioner. On search, they said to have found that the petitioner along with other accused have carried 50 kgs. of banned tobacco products illegally without any valid license for the purpose of selling the same and the same was seized by them. Hence, the complaint was registered against the petitioner.

3. The learned counsel appearing for petitioner submitted that this is the second petition for bail and he is an innocent person, he is no way connected with the offence and he has not committed any of offence as alleged by the respondent police. He would also submit that he has been falsely implicated in



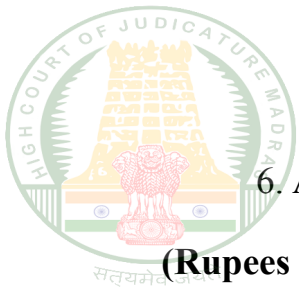
this case and he will abide by any condition that may be imposed by this court.

He would also submit that the petitioner has been suffering incarceration for more than 42 days from 27.07.2025 and no previous case pending against him.

On instruction, he would further submit that without prejudice to his right and contentions, he is prepared to deposit/pay some considerable amount. Hence, he prayed to grant bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for respondent would submit that while the respondent police were on their patrol duty, they intercepted the petitioner and on search, they found that the petitioner along with other accused were involved in selling prohibited tobacco products. He would also submit that if he is released on bail, he would hamper the investigation and tamper the witnesses and the investigation is almost completed. However, he would vehemently opposed to grant bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances and the fact that the investigation almost completed, no previous case pending against him and on considering the period of incarceration undergone by the petitioner from 27.07.2025 for more than 42 days, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.



6. Accordingly, the petitioner is directed to **deposit a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand only) as non-refundable deposit to the credit of registered Advocates Clerks Association, Salem,** and on such deposit, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on executing separate bonds for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) with two sureties, **in which one surety must be a blood surety** for a like sum to the satisfaction of the **Judicial Magistrate No.IV, Salem,** and on further conditions that::

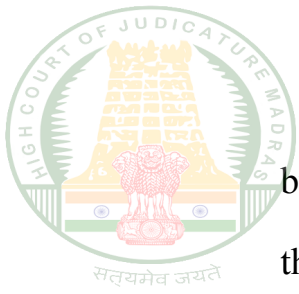
(a) the sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the surety bond and the Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity;

(b) the petitioner shall report before the respondent police on alternative days at 10.30 a.m. for the period of three months.

(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;

(e) on breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Magistrate/ Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioner 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]; and;

(f) if the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 229-A IPC.

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To

1. The Judicial Magistrate No.IV, Salem.
2. The Inspector of Police, Anadhanapatty Police Station, Salem.
3. The Superintendent of Prison, Central Prison, Salem.
4. The Public Prosecutor, High Court, Madras

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