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CRL OP No. 26692 of 2025



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 25-09-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE N. SATHISH KUMAR

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Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. State by Inspector of Police
Karuveppilankurichi Police Station,
Cuddalore District. Crime No.143 of
2025

2.The Branch Manager
Canara Bank, Murugankudi Branch,
No.B 2/99, Main Road, Murugankudi
Taluk, Cuddalore District.

Respondent(s)

PRAYER

Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 528 of BNSS Act to direct the Respondents 1 and 2 herein to defreeze the petitioner's Bank Account No.1886119000591 in the 2nd Respondent Bank forthwith.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.M.R.Elavarasan

For Respondent(s): Mr.R.Vinothraja for R1
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)



ORDER

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2. The petitioner was found in possession of 15 packets of tobacco and hence FIR in Crime No.143 of 2025 has been registered against the petitioner for alleged offences under Sections 275, 123, BNSS & 24(1) COTPA Act, based on that, the petitioner's bank account has been frozen.

3. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Government advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the 1st respondent and perused the documents placed on record.

4. Taking note of the nature of the crime registered against the petitioner, this Court is of the view that freezing of entire bank account is not proper, that



too without following any procedures. Further, no intimation was sent to the court concerned, therefore, the 1st respondent police is directed to issue necessary communication to the 2nd respondent - bank to de-freeze the account within a period of one week.

Accordingly, the present Petition is disposed of.

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Index: Yes/No

Speaking/Non-speaking order

Internet: Yes

Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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3. The Public Prosecutor,
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