



Crl.O.P.No.27408 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 03.10.2025

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE N.SENTHILKUMAR

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1.A.Devaraj
2.P.Palanisamy

... Petitioners/A1 & 2

Vs.

The State by
The Inspector of Police,
Jalakandapuram Police Station,
Salem District.
(Crime No.252 of 2025)
Respondent

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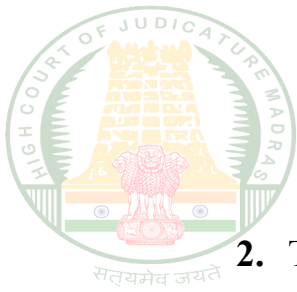
PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of B.N.S.S, to enlarge the petitioners on bail in the event of their arrest by the respondent police in Crime No.252 of 2025 pending investigation on the file of Inspector of Police, Jalakandapuram Police Station, Salem.

For Petitioners : Mr.Saravanan.A

For Respondent : Mr.S.Santhosh,
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The petitioners, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under 21(1) Mines & Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957 and Section 303(2) of B.N.S.Act, 2023, in Crime No.252 of 2025, on the file of the respondent Police, seek anticipatory bail.



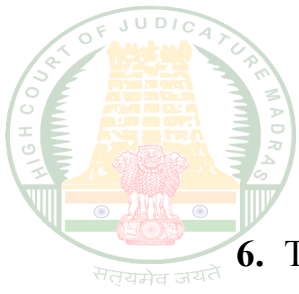
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2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioners have illegally transported 3 units of Red Clay without any valid licence. Hence, the case.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocent persons and they have been falsely implicated in this case; that the petitioners have not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution; and that the petitioners are ready to produce solvent sureties and to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Court and also undertake to appear and to co-operate for the investigation. Hence, he prayed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

4. Learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and he opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners. He further submitted that no previous case is pending against the petitioners.

5. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and the learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent police and perused the materials available on record.



6. Taking note of the facts and circumstances of the case, nature of allegations, submissions made by the learned counsels on either side, and since, custodial interrogation is not required for the purpose of investigation, 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 fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before **the learned Judicial Magistrate No.II, Mettur**, 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 respondent police or the police officer who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate/Judge concerned, failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed and on further condition that: :

[a]the petitioners 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 petitioners shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30.a.m.,until further orders;**

[c] the petitioners shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

[d] the petitioners shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;



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[e] 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]**;

[f] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of B.N.S.

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Note:-

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To

1.The Judicial Magistrate No.II, Mettur.

2.The Inspector of Police,

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3.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.

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