



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS**

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**DATED : 14.10.2025**

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**THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.RAJASEKAR**

**Crl.OP.No.27948 of 2025**

Sarathkumar

... Petitioner

Vs.

State Rep by  
Inspector of Police,  
Secretariat Colony Police Station,  
Kilpauk,  
Chennai City.  
Crime No.108 of 2025

... Respondent

**Prayer:** Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of BNSS 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Crime No.108 of 2025, on the file of the respondent police.

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| For petitioner | : Mr.N.Lokesh Raj                                  |
| For Respondent | : Mr.A.Gopinath,<br>Government Advocate (Crl.Side) |

**ORDER**

This Criminal Original Petition has been filed by the petitioner, who was arrested on 01.05.2025, seeking bail in Crime No.108 of 2025, registered for the offences under Sections 8(c), 22(b), 29 (1) and 25 of the NDPS Act.



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2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner along with other accused were found to be in illegal possession of 12 grams of Methamphetamine. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He would further submit that the petitioner was detained under Act 14 of 1982 and thereafter, detention order was revoked and that the petitioner is in Judicial Custody from 01.05.2025 and he is ready to abide by any stringent conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prayed for grant of bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police submitted that the petitioner along with other accused were found in illegal possession of 12 grams of Methamphetamine. He further submitted that, apart from this case, petitioner has no previous case. However, he opposed for grant of bail to the petitioner.

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



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6. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case and the submissions made by the learned counsel on either sides and also taking note of the period of incarceration undergone by the petitioner and the seized contraband from the first accused is an intermediate quantity, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his executing a bond for a sum of **Rs.20,000/- (*Rupees Twenty Thousand only*)** with two sureties, each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned **II Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai**, and on further conditions that:-

[a] 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;

**[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., for a period of three weeks and thereafter as and when required for interrogation;**



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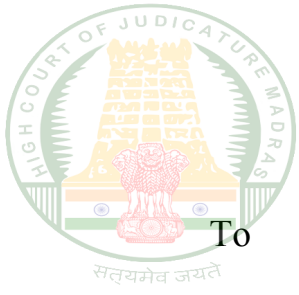
[c] On breach of any of the aforementioned conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to pass appropriate orders against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the aforementioned conditions have been imposed and the petitioner released on bail by the learned Magistrate/Trial Court himself as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in **P.K.Shaji vs. State of Kerala [(2005)13 SCC 283]**;

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

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Index : Yes/No  
Speaking Order/Non Speaking Order

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To

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1. The Inspector of Police,  
Secretariat Colony Police Station,  
Kilpauk,  
Chennai City.
2. The Public Prosecutor,  
Madras High Court,  
Chennai.
3. The Superintendent of Prison,  
Central Prison, Puzhal, Chennai.
4. The II Metropolitan Magistrate, Egmore, Chennai.



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**K.RAJASEKAR, J.**

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