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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 03.12.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K.RAJASEKAR

CrI.O.P.No.31800 of 2025

Kulandai

... Petitioner

Vs.

State Rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
Ammamet Police Station,
Salem District.

Crime No.464 of 2025

... Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya
Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, to enlarge the petitioner on anticipatory bail in the
event of their arrest in Crime No.464 of 2025 on the file of the respondent
police.

For Petitioner : Mr.W.Camyles Gandhi

For Respondent : Ms.J.R.Archana
Government Advocate (Criminal Side)

ORDER

The petitioner herein apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent
police for the offences punishable under Sections 21(1) of Mines and
Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 and Section 303(2) of
BNS in Crime No.464 of 2025, on the file of the respondent Police, seek
anticipatory bail.



2. The allegation against the petitioner is that he along with other accused, was illegally quarrying granite soil and rocks from the land alleged to belong to the Ex-Servicemen, without obtaining any valid licence or permission from the competent authority. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is only the owner of the vehicle and that he is an innocent person who has been falsely implicated in this case. Hence, he prayed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police submitted that the petitioner is not merely the owner of the vehicle and that he was actively involved in illegally quarrying sand and rocks from lands belonging to private parties, without their knowledge or consent. Hence, he opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Heard the learned counsels on either side and perused the materials available on record.



6. Considering the allegations relating to illegal quarrying the sand and the resultant ecological damage, this Court is not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

7. Accordingly, this Criminal Original petition is dismissed.

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To

1. The Inspector of Police,
Ammamet Police Station,
Salem District.

2. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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