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Crl.O.P.No.34422 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 16.12.2025

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K.RAJASEKAR

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Manikandan

... Petitioner/ Accused

Vs.

The State represented by
The Inspector of Police,
Sulur Police Station,
Coimbatore District.
(Crime No.981 of 2025)

... Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya
Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the Petitioner/Accused on bail in
Crime No.981 of 2025 pending on the file of the respondent Police.

For Petitioner : Mr.W.Camyles Gandhi

For Respondent : Mr.A.Gopinath
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on
26.10.2025, for the offence punishable under Sections 8(c) read with Section
20(b)(ii)(A) of NDPS Act and Section 77 of Juvenile Justice Act in Crime
No.981 of 2025, registered on the file of the respondent, seeks bail.



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2. The allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner along with other accused were found in possession of 500 grams of ganja. Hence, the case.

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

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that the seized quantity is not a commercial quantity. He further submitted that, petitioner has one previous case. However, he opposed for grant of bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the fact that the contraband involved in this case is not a commercial quantity, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner with certain conditions:

6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on their 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

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Judicial Magistrate Court, Sulur 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;

[c] the petitioner shall make himself available for interrogation by a Police Officer as and when required;

[d] the petitioner shall not directly or indirectly cause any threat to the de facto complainant and witnesses;

[e] the petitioner to give an undertaking that if required for being identified by witnesses during investigation or for police custody beyond the first fifteen days, he shall comply to the directions as may be given by the Court in this regard;

[f] On breach of any of the aforementioned conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to pass appropriate orders against the petitioner in



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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]**;

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

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To

1. Judicial Magistrate Court, Sulur

2. The Inspector of Police,
Sulur Police Station,
Coimbatore District.

3. The Central Prison, Coimbatore.

4. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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