



CRL OP(MD). No.122 of 2025

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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 07.01.2025

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice N.ANAND VENKATESH

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Johnson Micheal Raj

... Petitioner / Accused Rank Not Known

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu
Represented by the Inspector of Police,
Vattathikottai Police Station,
Thanjavur District.
(Crime No.382 of 2024)

... Respondent / Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.K.M.Karunakaran,
Advocate

For Respondent : Mr.Thanga Aravind.B,
Government Advocate (Criminal Side)

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of BNSS Act.

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.382 of 2024 on the file of the respondent police.



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ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

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The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offences under Sections 303(2) of BNS r/w. Section 21(1) of Mines and Minerals (Development Regulation) Act, 1957, in Crime No. 382 of 2024 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner had illegally transported 1/4 unit of river sand in a TATA 407 four wheeler. Hence, the case.

3. Heard the learned counsel on either side and perused the material records of the case.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side), on instructions, submitted that there are two previous cases against the petitioner which pertains to IPC offence.

5. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the quantity of minerals involved, this court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions:

6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before the learned Judicial Magistrate Court, Pattukottai, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees



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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 concerned, failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed and on further condition that:

[a] the petitioner 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 petitioner is directed to deposit a sum of Rs.3000/- (Rupees Three Thousand only) to the credit of the Madurai Bench of Madras High Court Advocate Clerk's Welfare Association, Madurai-625023 (Account No:- 496039124, IFSC Code:- IDIB000H040), without prejudice to his rights and contentions before the trial Court. Only upon deposit, the learned Magistrate shall accept the sureties;;

[c] the petitioner shall appear before the respondent police as and when required for interrogation.

[d] the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial.

[e] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial.

[f] On breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioner in accordance with



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law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioner released on bail by the
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learned Magistrate/Trial Court himself as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court
in P.K.Shaji vs. State of Kerala [(2005)AIR SCW 5560].

[g] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under
Section 269 of BNS, 2023.

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PATTUKOTTAI.

2 DO THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL
MAGISTRATE, THANJAVUR DISTRICT AT KUMBAKONAM.

3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
VATTATHIKOTTAI POLICE STATION,
THANJAVUR DISTRICT.

4 THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT, MADURAI.

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