



CRL OP(MD). No.1285 of 2025

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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 23.01.2025

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice N.ANAND VENKATESH

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1.Mathesh

2.Muthuraja

... Petitioner / A2 & A3

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu
Represented by the Forest Ranger,
Palamedu Forest Range,
Madurai District.
(W.L.O.R.No.3 of 2025)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioners: Mr.N.Jothivel,
Advocate

For Respondent : Mr.A.Albert James,
Government Advocate
(Criminal Side)

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

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in W.L.O.R.No.3 of 2025 on the file of the Forest Ranger,Palamedu Forest Range,Madurai District.



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ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

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The petitioners, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offences under Sections 2(1), 2(26A), 2(33), 2(36), 9, 51(1) and 52 of Wild Life Protection Act, 1972 (with Amendment 2022), in W.L.O.R.No.3 of 2025 on the file of the respondent/Forest Ranger, Palamedu Forest Range, Madurai District, seek anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the accused persons hunted two jungle cats with the help of their dogs and thereby, two jungle cats were killed. There are totally 5 accused persons in this case and the petitioners have been arrayed as A2 and A3. A1 was already arrested in this case.

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

4. Taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of the case and considering the manner in which the entire incident had taken place and considering the fact that there are no previous cases against the petitioners, this court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions:



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5. Accordingly, the petitioners are 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, Vadipatti, on condition that the petitioner 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 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 on every Monday and Friday at 10.30 a.m., for a period of four weeks and thereafter, as and when required for interrogation.

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

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investigation or trial.

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

[e] 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 law as if the 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)AIR SCW 5560].

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

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Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai - 625 023.

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TO

1. THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, VADIPATTI,



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2 DO THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
MADURAI.

3. THE FOREST RANGER,
PALAMEDU FOREST RANGE,
MADURAI DISTRICT.

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

+1 CC to M/s.N.JOTHIVEL, Advocate (SR-880[I] dated 27/01/2025)

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