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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 30.01.2025

PRESENT

The Hon`ble Mr.Justice N.ANAND VENKATESH

CRL OP(MD). No.1925 of 2025

A.Raja

... Petitioner / Accused No.10

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu
Represented by the Inspector of Police,
Samayanallur Police Station,
Madurai District.
(Crime No.6 of 2025)

... Respondent / Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.A.Ansar,
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 Crime No.6 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police.

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ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the alleged offences under Sections 191(2), 191(3), 296(b), 330(1) and 351(2) of BNS 2023, read with Section 3 of TNPPDL Act in Crime No. 6 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the defacto complainant was running a shop and the accused persons are said to have trespassed into the shop armed with spade and dig bar and there was a quarrel. As a result of which, the defacto complainant and his relatives were abused in filthy language and they were threatened with dire consequences and damage was also caused to the property. There are totally 20 accused persons in this case and the petitioner has been arrayed as A10.

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 defense taken by the petitioner to the effect that he is only a press

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reporter and he had nothing to do with the alleged offence and also considering the fact that no one was injured in this case and there are no previous cases against the petitioner, this court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions:

5. 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, Vadipatti, Madurai, 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 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 shall report before the respondent police as and when required for interrogation.

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

[d] the petitioner 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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1. THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, VADIPATTI, MADURAI,

2 DO THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
MADURAI.

3. THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
SAMAYANALLUR POLICE STATION,
MADURAI DISTRICT.

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

+1 CC to M/s.A.ANSAR, Advocate (SR-1122[I] dated 30/01/2025)

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