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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 19/03/2025

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE R. SAKTHIVEL

CRL OP(MD). No.4994 of 2025

Madasamy

... Petitioner/ Accused No.4

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. by the Inspector of Police,
Civil Supplies C.I.D.,
Tirunelveli District.
Crime No. 21 / 2025.

... Respondent/ Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr. Venkatesh
Advocate

For Respondent : Mr.R.Meenakshi Sundaram
Additional Public Prosecutor

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of BNSS

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No. 21 of 2025 on the file of the respondent-Police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

This Criminal Original Petition has been filed by the petitioner on 17.03.2025 under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023 praying to grant pre-arrest bail.

2. The petitioner / accused No.4, apprehends arrest at the hands of the



respondent-Police for the offence punishable under Section 6(4) of TN Scheduled Commodities (RDCS) Order, 1982 and Section 7(1)(a)(ii) of Essential Commodities Act, 1955 in Crime No.21 of 2025, on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

3. The case of the prosecution is that on 17.02.2025, when the respondent-Police was in routine vehicle check up, they found that the petitioner herein and other accused persons had illegally transported 1209.5 kgs of rice meant for Public Distribution Scheme. Hence, the case.

4. Mr.C.Venkatesh, the learned counsel for the petitioner, submits that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He however submits that the petitioner is ready to abide by any conditions to be imposed by this Court. He therefore prays for grant of pre-arrest bail to the petitioner.

5. *Per contra*, Mr.R.Meenakshi Sundaram, learned Additional Public Prosecutor, appearing for the respondent-Police, submits that there are 6 previous cases pending against the petitioner, which are similar in nature. Hence, he strongly opposes to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioner.

6. Heard both sides and perused the records.

7. Petitioner has six previous cases, which are all similar in nature. Petitioner is a habitual offender. Therefore, this Court is of the view that if the petitioner is released on pre-arrest bail, he will commit similar type offences again. Hence, this Court is not inclined to grant pre-arrest bail to the petitioner.



8. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is dismissed.

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Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.

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TO

1 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE, CIVIL SUPPLIES C.I.D.,
TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT.

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

ORDER

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