



CRL OP(MD). No.9489 of 2025

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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Reserved on : 28.07.2025

Pronounced on : 29.08.2025

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P. VADAMALAI

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and

CRL MP(MD). No.9009 of 2025

Janakiraman,
S/o.Neelamegam

... Petitioner/A2

Vs

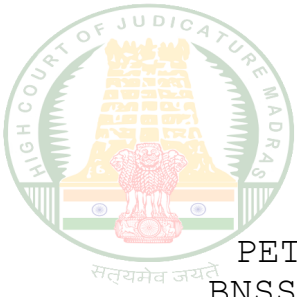
The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. by the Inspector of Police,
Kulithalai Police Station,
Karur District.
(Crime No.186 of 2025)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.Murugappan R,
Advocate

For Respondent : Mr.M.Karunanithi,
Government Advocate
(Criminal Side)

For Intervenor : Mr.N.Sudhagar Nagaraj,
Advocate



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PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of
BNSS

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PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.186 of 2025
on the file of the Respondent Police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner/A2, who apprehends arrest at
the hands of the respondent police for the
offences punishable under Sections 191(2), 61(2),
308(2), 318(4) and 351(2) of BNS, 2023 r/w.
Section 4 of TNPHW Act in Crime No.186 of 2025 on
the file of the respondent police, seeks
anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on
20.02.2025, while the de-facto complainant, who
is a Government employee, was in her father's
fruit shop assisting him in his business, the
petitioner, along with other accused, approached
the shop, criminally intimidated her, and also
demanded money from her. Hence, the present case.

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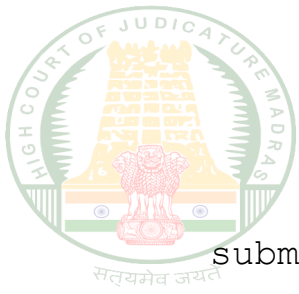


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4. The learned counsel for the intervenor submitted that the petitioner, along with other accused, is running a newspaper under the name and style of "Indraya Makkal Parvai" and is a habitual offender. The accused used to target individuals, collect information about their activities by filing RTI applications, file writ petitions, and subsequently blackmail those individuals by demanding money. Hence, he strongly opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) submitted that the petitioner has been arrayed as A2 in this case. A1 was arrested and subsequently released on bail by this Court on 19.06.2025 in Crl.O.P.(MD)No.10187 of 2025, and A5 was arrested and subsequently released on bail by the learned Vacation Sessions Judge, Karur on 09.05.2025 in Vacation Crl.M.P.No.21 of 2025. He

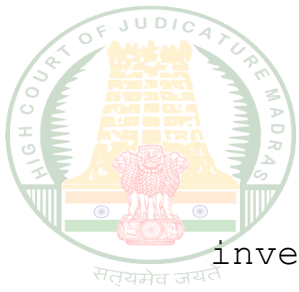


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submitted that the de-facto complainant is the Junior Inspector of the Tamil Nadu Silk Development Department at Namakkal. The accused, identifying themselves as social activists, collected information about the de-facto complainant and demanded money, threatening to file a Public Interest Litigation against her. He further submitted that the investigation in this case is still at preliminary stage and that custodial interrogation of the petitioner is necessary. Hence, he strongly opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the nature of the offence allegedly committed by the petitioner, and also taking note of the fact that two of the co-accused were arrested and subsequently released on bail, and that as the date of registration of FIR is 26.03.2025, by this time most of the

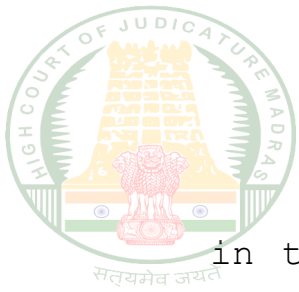


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investigation might have been completed, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of his arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned Judicial Magistrate No.II, Kulithalai, Karur District on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) with two sureties, each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the respondent Police or to the Police Officer, who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the learned Judicial Magistrate No.II, Kulithalai, Karur District and on further conditions that:

(a) the petitioner and the sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression



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in the surety bond and the Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity;

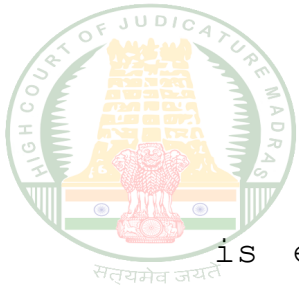
(b) the petitioner shall furnish his residential address and mobile number to the learned Judicial Magistrate No.II, Kulithalai, Karur District. In the event of any change in his residential address, the petitioner shall report the same to the learned Judicial Magistrate No.II, Kulithalai, Karur District;

(c) the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., until further orders;

(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



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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]*; and;

(g) if the accused thereafter abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS, 2023.

8. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is allowed. Consequently, the connected Criminal Miscellaneous Petition is closed.

(P V M J)
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P. VADAMALAI, J

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TO

1.The Judicial Magistrate No.II,
Kulithalai, Karur District.

2.The Inspector of Police,
Kulithalai Police Station,
Karur District.

3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.

Pre-Delivery
order made
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