

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 26-09-2025

CORAM

THE HONOURABLE MRS JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

WEB COPY

CRL OP(MD) NO. 9039 of 2025

Senthil Velmurugan @ Senthil

Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu

Rep by, The Inspector of Police, Melapalayam Police Station,
Melapalayam, Tirunelveli City.

Cr.No.18 of 2025.

Respondent(s)

For Petitioner(s): N.Pragalathan

For Respondent(s): E.Antony Sahaya Prabahar, Additional Public Prosecutor

Prayer:

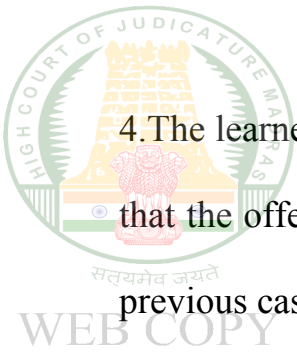
C-32AB. For Anticipatory Bail in Cr.No.18 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police.

ORDER

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 8(c), 20(b)(ii)(B), 25 of NDPS Act, in Crime No.18 of 2025, on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that on 11.01.2025 at about 05.30 pm, the respondent police seized 2.8 kg of ganja. Hence, the apprehension of arrest. Hence, a case has been registered as against the petitioner.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case and he has not committed any offence. He seeks this Court to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.



4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. side) appearing for the respondent submitted that the offences committed by the petitioner are serious in nature. Further, there are 5 previous cases against the petitioner among which two cases are similar in nature.

5. Since the quantity of ganja is an intermediate quantity, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

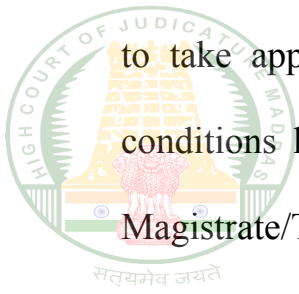
6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the Principal Special Court for NDPS Act Cases, Madurai, within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, and on further conditions 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 Aadhaar card or bank pass book to ensure their identity.

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., for a period of two weeks and thereafter, as and when required for interrogation.

[c] the petitioner shall not tamper with the 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 conditions have been imposed and the petitioner is 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.

[g]The respondent is permitted to investigate the petitioner and the petitioner is directed to cooperate for the investigation.

26-09-2025

Tmg

To

1. The Inspector of Police,
Melapalayam Police Station,
Melapalayam,
Tirunelveli City,

2. Principal Special Court for NDPS Act Cases, Madurai.

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