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BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 04/06/2025

PRESENT

The HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P. VADAMALAI

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Saravanan
S/o.Raj Pillai,
No.6, Keelavellalar Street,
Karanthai, Thanajvur.

...Petitioner/ Accused No.1

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep.by The Inspector of Police,
Thanjavur Town South Police Station,
Thanjavur District.
(Crime No.108 of 2025)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : M/s.C.Senthil Murugan
Advocate.

For Respondent : Mr.B.Thanga Aravindh
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

PETITION FOR BAIL Under Sec.483 of BNSS

PRAYER :- For Bail in Crime No.108 of 2025 on the file of the Respondent Police.

ORDER : This Court made the following order :-

<https://www.mhc.tn.gov.in/judis> The petitioner / Accused No.1, who was arrested and remanded to judicial



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custody on 20.05.2025 for the offences punishable under Sections 123 of BNS
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r/w.Section 24(1) of Cigarette and other Tobacco Products Acts, 2003 in Crime
No.108 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on 20.05.2025, at about 11.00hrs, the respondent police have conducted routine surveillance, at that time a car bearing registration No. DL 14 CD 3047 was intercepted by the respondent police and they found that the accused persons have illegally transported 161 Kilograms of banned tobacco products. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. The petitioner is ready and willing to abide any stringent conditions imposed by this Court. He would further submit that the petitioner is in custody from 20.05.2025 nearly 15 days. Hence, he seeks bail.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) would submit that this petitioner and other accused persons have illegally transported 161Kgs of banned tobacco products. The respondent police seized all the contraband. There is no previous case against the petitioner. However, he objected to grant bail to the petitioner.

5. Taking into consideration of the facts and circumstances of the case and also



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taking note of the fact that there is no previous case against the petitioner and the
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alleged contraband was seized by the respondent police and considering the fact
that petitioner/accused remanded into judicial custody on 20.05.2025, taking into
consideration of the period of incarceration. This court is inclined to grant bail to the
petitioner, subject to the following conditions:

6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on executing 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 Judicial Magistrate No.I, Thanjavur
and on further conditions that :-

[a] 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 make a non refundable deposit of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees
Ten thousand only) to the credit of Current Account No. 7567821433, (IFSC Code:
IDIBI000H040), in the Indian Bank, High Court Branch, Madurai Bench of Madras
High Court, Madurai, towards Kalaignar Centenary Library and on such deposit
being made, the learned Judicial Magistrate No.I, Thanjavur shall accept the sureties
furnished by the petitioner;

[c] The petitioner shall furnish his residential address and mobile number to



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the Judicial Magistrate No.I, Thanjavur.

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(d) If the petitioner changes his residential address, he shall report the same to the Judicial Magistrate No.I, Thanjavur;

[e] the petitioner shall appear and sign before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m. until further orders.

[f] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial.

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

[h] 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].

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

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Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
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- 2 DO THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
THANJAVUR DISTRICT AT KUMBAKONAM.
- 3 THE OFFICER INCHARGE , DISTRICT PRISON, THANJAVUR.
- 4 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
THANJAVUR TOWN SOUTH POLICE STATION, THANJAVUR DISTRICT.
- 5 THE OFFICER INCHARGE,
KALAINAR CENTENARY LIBRARY, MADURAI.
- 6 THE ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PROSECUTOR MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS
HIGH COURT, MADURAI.

ORDER
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