



CRL OP(MD). No.9646 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT
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(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 26/06/2025

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P. VADAMALAI

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Meenakumar,
S/o.Valamburi

... Petitioner/ A5

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. by, the Inspector of Police,
Abiramam Police Station,
Ramanathapuram District.
(Crime No.62 of 2025)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.G.Vishnuram,
Advocate

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

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of BNSS

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.62 of 2025 on the file of the Respondent Police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-



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The petitioner/A5, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under sections 8(c) and 20(b)(ii)(A) of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 r/w. Section 4(1)(A) of Tamil Nadu Prohibition (Amendment) Act, 2024 in Crime No.62 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on 21.04.2025, at about 8.30 a.m., based on secret information, the respondent police apprehended the accused near Natham Bus Stop, Abiramam, for illegal possession of 65 grams of ganja. Hence, a case has been registered.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is an innocent person, and is in no way connected with the alleged occurrence as stated by the prosecution. He further submitted that the petitioner has been implicated in this case solely based on the confession of the co-accused. Hence, he seeks anticipatory bail.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. side) submits that there are totally five accused persons in this case and the petitioner has been arrayed as A5. A1, A2 and A3 were arrested and subsequently released on bail, and A4 has been granted anticipatory bail by this Court. The entire contraband has been recovered. He further submitted that there are eight previous cases registered against the



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petitioner. Hence, he opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

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5. Taking into consideration of the facts and circumstances of the case and the nature of the offence, and taking note of the fact that three of the co-accused have been arrested and subsequently released on bail, and one of the co-accused has been granted anticipatory bail by this Court, and that as the entire contraband has already been recovered, the custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not necessary at this stage, 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, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before the learned Judicial Magistrate, Kamuthi, 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 Judicial Magistrate, Kamuthi, 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 furnish his residential address and mobile number to



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the learned Judicial Magistrate, Kamuthi. In the event of any change in his residential address, the petitioner shall report the same to the learned Judicial Magistrate, Kamuthi;

(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 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/petitioner thereafter abscond, 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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TO

1 THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, KAMUTHI.

2 DO THROUGH THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE, RAMANATHAPURAM DISTRICT.



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3 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE, ABIRAMAM POLICE STATION,
RAMANATHAPURAM DISTRICT.

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

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