



CRL OP(MD). No.11717 of 2025

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

Date : 11/07/2025

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P. VADAMALAI

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Ravichandran,
S/o.Veeranan

... Petitioner/ A1

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. by the Inspector of Police,
Palayanur Police Station,
Sivagangai District.
(Crime No.68 of 2025)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.Guru Muruganantham,
Advocate

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

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of BNSS

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.68 of 2025 on the file of the Respondent Police.



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ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner/A1, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Section 303(2) of BNS, 2023 r/w. Section 21 (4) of the Mines and Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957 in Crime No.68 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner, along with other accused, illegally excavated and stored gravel sand in their patta land bearing Patta No.1075, comprised in Survey No.70/3A, using a JCB vehicle bearing Registration No.TN-67-CZ-8911. Hence, the present case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the said land belongs to the petitioner's father and that the sand was accumulated merely for the purpose of reclamation work, which was wrongly understood by the de-facto complainant. He further submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. The petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case. However, he submitted that the petitioner is willing to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he seeks anticipatory



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bail for the petitioner.

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4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) submitted that there are totally two accused persons in this case and the petitioner has been arrayed as A1. A2 was arrested and subsequently released on bail by the learned Principal Sessions Judge, Sivagangai on 03.07.2025 in Cr.M.P.No.1767 of 2025. He further submitted that the entire properties have been recovered. However, he opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, and also taking note of the fact the co-accused was arrested and subsequently released on bail, and that the entire properties have been recovered, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions.

6. 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 District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Thiruppuvanam 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



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sum to the satisfaction of the respondent Police or to the Police Officer, who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the learned District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Thiruppuvanam and on further conditions that:

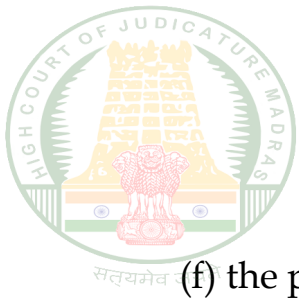
(a) the petitioner and the sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the surety bond and the Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity;

(b) the petitioner shall deposit a sum of *Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only)* to the credit of *the District Mineral Foundation Trust, Sivagangai District* as Non-refundable deposit and on such deposit being made, the learned District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Thiruppuvanam shall accept the sureties furnished by the petitioner;

(c) the petitioner shall furnish his residential address and mobile number to the learned District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Thiruppuvanam. In the event of any change in his residential address, the petitioner shall report the same to the learned District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Thiruppuvanam;

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

(e) the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;



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(f) the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

(g) 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;

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

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Sub-Assistant Registrar
(C.S. I / II / III / IV)
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai - 625 023.

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TO

1 THE DISTRICT MUNSIF CUM JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
THIRUPPUVANAM.

2 THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE,
SIVAGANGAI DISTRICT.

3 THE OFFICER INCHARGE,
DISTRICT MINERAL FOUNDATION TRUST,
SIVAGANGAI DISTRICT.



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4 THE INSPECTOR OF POLICE,
PALAYANUR POLICE STATION,
SIVAGANGAI DISTRICT.

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

+1. CC to M/S.GURU MURUGANANTHAM Advocate SR.No.7449 (I)
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ORDER
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