



CRL OP(MD). No.11946 of 2025

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

Date : 01/08/2025

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P. VADAMALAI

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Manikandan, S/o.Shunmugavel

... Petitioner/ A1

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. by, the Inspector of Police,
All Women Police Station,
Tirunelveli Junction,
Tirunelveli District.
(Crime No.20 of 2025)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Ms.Geetha C,
Advocate

For Respondent : Mr.S.Prakash,
Government Advocate
(Crl.Side)

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of BNSS

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.20 of 2025 on the file of the Respondent Police.



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ORDER: The Court made the following order :-

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The petitioner/A1, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 498A, 294(b), 406, 355, 506(i) and 109 of IPC in Crime No.20 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner and the de-facto complainant are husband and wife. It is alleged that the petitioner sold the jewels given as dowry at the time of their marriage and that he is also having an illicit affair with the 2nd accused. Hence, the present case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. Due to a matrimonial dispute and in order to recover her Sridhana articles, the de-facto complainant has lodged the present false complaint against the petitioner. The petitioner is currently working as a Police Constable at Palani. He further submitted that A3 has been granted anticipatory bail by this Court on 01.07.2025 in Crl.O.P. (MD)No.10501 of 2025. She, however, submitted that the petitioner is ready to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, she 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 three accused persons in this case and the petitioner has been arrayed as A1. A3 has been granted anticipatory bail by this Court on 01.07.2025 in Crl.O.P.(MD) No.10501 of 2025. It is alleged that the petitioner is having an illicit affair with the 2nd accused. He also threatened the de-facto complainant using filthy language and demanded additional dowry from her. He submitted that there are no previous cases registered against the petitioner. However, he opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Taking into consideration of the facts and circumstances of the case, the nature of the offence, and taking note of the fact that one of the co-accused has been granted anticipatory bail by this Court, and that the issue pertains to a matrimonial dispute, and that the date of occurrence is 01.07.2018, but the FIR was registered only on 28.05.2025, and that there are no previous cases registered against the petitioner, this court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions.



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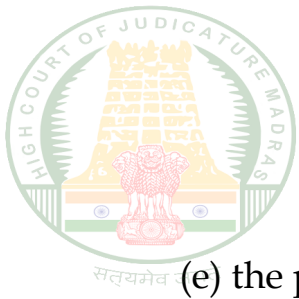
6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before the learned Judicial Magistrate No.4, Tirunelveli, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond 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 No.4, Tirunelveli, 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 the learned Judicial Magistrate No.4, Tirunelveli. In the event of any change in his residential address, the petitioner shall report the same to the learned Judicial Magistrate No.4, Tirunelveli;

(c) the petitioner shall report before the Inspector of Police, Palani Adivaram Police Station, Palani daily at 10.00 a.m. until further orders;

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



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(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,
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TO

1.The Judicial Magistrate No.4, Tirunelveli.

2.Do through The Chief Judicial Magistrate, Tirunelveli District.



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3.The Inspector of Police, All Women Police Station,
Tirunelveli Junction, Tirunelveli District.

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

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The Inspector of Police,
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ORDER
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