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CRL OP(MD) NO. 13043 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

DATED: 18-09-2025

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THE HONOURABLE MRS JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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I. Nagarajan

4Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu
Rep. by its The Inspector of Police, Vigilance
and Anti-Corruption Wing, Thoothukudi
Cr. No. 7/2025

Respondent(s)

For Petitioner(s):

M/s.G.Karuppasamypandiyan

For Respondent(s):

Mr.S.S.Manoj,
Government Advocate (crl. Side)

Prayer: For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No. 7/2025 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 7(a) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 as amended in 2018, in Crime No.7 of 2025, seeks anticipatory bail.



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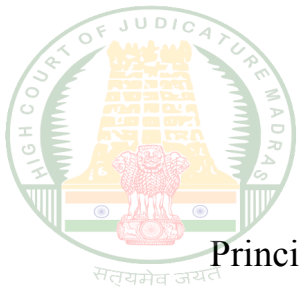
2. The case of the prosecution that the petitioner demanded bribe from the defacto complainant for changing the name in the tax receipt and received Rs.10,000/-as bribe. Hence, a case was registered.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution and prays for anticipatory bail in favour of the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police strongly objected to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the above facts and circumstances of the case and considering the petitioner was caught red hand and custodial interrogation is not necessary this Court is inclined to grant interim anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

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 of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned



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Principal Sessions Judge, Thoothukudi, 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 Principal Sessions Judge, Thoothukudi, 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 Principal Sessions Judge, Thoothukudi. In the event of any change in his residential address, the petitioner shall report the same to the learned Principal Sessions Judge, Thoothukudi;

(c) the petitioner shall appear before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., without fail, for a period of two weeks and thereafter as on when required for investigation;

(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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To

- 1.The Principal Sessions Court, Thoothukudi.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
Vigilance and Anti-Corruption Wing,
Thoothukudi.
- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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