



CRL OP(MD). No.14933 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 13.10.2025

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MRS JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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Masanam

... Petitioner/Accused

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep By The Inspector of Police,
Andipatti Police Station,
Theni District.
(Crime No.371 of 2025)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.M.Beemaroo,
Advocate.

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

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of BNSS

PRAYER :- For Anticipatory Bail in Cr.No.371 of 2025 on the file of the
respondent police.



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ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 6(a), 24(1) of Cigarette and Other Products Act, 2003 and Section 123 BNS, 2023 in Crime No. 371 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that Accused No.1 carried banned tobacco products in his auto. Based on the confession of Accused No.1, the petitioner herein is added as Accused No.2 in this case.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and he is no way connected with the alleged occurrence as stated by the prosecution. He further submitted that the petitioner is ready and willing to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he seeks anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. side) opposed to grant



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anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

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5. The interim order already granted by this Court dated 10.09.2025 is made absolute.

6. Taking into consideration of the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, with certain conditions.

7. 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, Andipatti, Theni District, 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, Andipatti, Theni District, failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed and on further condition that:

(a) the petitioner and the sureties shall affix their



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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 report before the respondent police as and when required for interrogation;

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

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

(e) 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;

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

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1. The Judicial Magistrate Court, Andipatti, Theni District.
2. The Inspector of Police,
Andipatti Police Station, Theni District.
3. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.

S.SRIMATHY, J.



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