



CRL OP(MD). No.17997 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 16.10.2025

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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N.Ashok Kumar

... Petitioner/Accused

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu

Represented by the Inspector of Police,

Uthamapalayam Police Station,

Theni District.

(Crime No.169 of 2025)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.A.Karthik,
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 Crime No.169 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, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 4(1)(A) and 4(1)(C) of the Tamil Nadu Prohibition (Amendment) Act, 2024 in Crime No.169 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that when the Police team conducted a ride, Accused No.1 was found to be in possession of 11 bottles of liquor (each containing 180 ml). On enquiry with Accused No. 1, he informed that the petitioner herein had given money to purchase the liquor bottles from TASMAC and they were attempting to sell it at higher rates. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has not committed any offences as alleged by the prosecution. He further submitted that the petitioner is ready and willing to abide by any conditions which may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he seeks anticipatory bail to the petitioner.



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4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and considering the nature of offence, 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 arrest or on his appearance, 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 Judicial Magistrate Court, Uthamapalayam, within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order 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 Aadhaar card or bank pass book to ensure their identity;



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[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., for a period of four weeks and thereafter, as and when required for interrogation.

[c]the petitioner shall not tamper with the 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 is 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].



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[f] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR
can be registered under Section 269 of BNS.

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To

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

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