



BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 13.10.2025

PRESENT

The HONOURABLE MRS.JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

CRL OP(MD)No.17493 of 2025

Gopal @ Gopal Krishnan

...Petitioner

Vs.

The State of Tamil Nadu,
Represent by the Inspector of Police,
All Women Police Station,
Illupur, Pudukkottai District.
(Crime No.14 of 2024)

... Respondent

For Petitioner : Mr.D.Rameshkumar

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.14 of 2024 on the file of the respondent police.

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 5(1), 5(i) (ii) and 6(1) of Protection of Child From Sexual Offences Act, 2012 and Section 9 of Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006 in Crime No.14 of 2024, on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner married the defacto complainant/minor girl and had sexual intercourse with her. Hence, a case has been registered as against the petitioner.

3.The learned Counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has been falsely implicated in this case and he has not committed any offence. He seeks this Court to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Crl. side) appearing for the respondent submitted that the offences committed by the petitioner are serious in nature.



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5.Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and it is a case of child marriage this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with 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 Mahila Court, Pudukkottai, 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.

[b]the petitioner shall report before the respondent police 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



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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].

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

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TO

- 1.The Mahila Court, Pudukkottai.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
All Women Police Station,
Illupur, Pudukkottai District.
- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench Of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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