



CRL OP(MD). No.17832 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 15.10.2025

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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1.Lakshmanan
2.Thangaprem

... Petitioners/ Accused Nos.1&2

Vs

The State of Tamilnadu,
Rep by the Inspector of Police,
CSCID Unit Police Station,
Madurai.
(Crime No.219 of 2025)
Tenkasi District.

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioners : Mr.C.Susikumar

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.219 of 2025 on the file of
the Respondent Police.**

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ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioners, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Section 6(4) of the Tamilnadu Scheduled Commodities (RDCS) Order, 1982 r/w Section 7(1)(a)(ii) of Essential Commodities Act, 1955, in Crime No.219 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seek anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioners illegally transported PDS Rice and the respondent police seized 46 bags, each contains 54 kgs, totally 2484 kgs of PDS rice from the petitioners. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocent persons and they have not committed any offences as alleged by the prosecution. He further submitted that the petitioners are ready and willing to abide by any conditions which may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he seeks anticipatory bail to the petitioners.



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4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) submitted that there are no previous cases pending against the petitioners and the investigation is almost completed. However, he opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and there are no previous cases pending against the petitioners, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners, subject to certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance, on condition that each of 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 learned Judicial Magistrate No.II, Tirunelveli, within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed, and on further conditions that:



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[a]the petitioners 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 petitioners are directed to deposit Rs.15,000/- each, to the credit of the Crime No.219 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police. On such deposit, the learned Magistrate shall accept the sureties;

[c] The petitioners shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., until further orders;

[d]the petitioners shall not tamper with the evidence or witness either during investigation or trial.

[e]the petitioners 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 petitioners in accordance



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with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioners are 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].

[g] 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 No.II,
Tirunelveli.

2. The Inspector of Police,
CSCID Unit Police Station,
Madurai.
(Crime No.219 of 2025)
Tenkasi District.

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

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