



CRL OP(MD). No.18880 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 29.10.2025

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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Renganathan

... Petitioner/ Accused No.2

Vs

The State of Tamilnadu,
Rep by the Inspector of Police,
Pattukkottai Town Police Station,
Thanjavur District.
(Crime No.653 of 2025)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.K.M.Karunakaran

For Respondent : Mr.E.Antony Sahaya Prabahar
Additional Public Prosecutor

PETITION FOR BAIL Under Sec.483 of BNSS

PRAYER :- For Bail in Crime No.653 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police.



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ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 17.10.2025 for the offences punishable under Sections 123 of BNS, r/w. Section 24(1) of Cigarette and Other Tobacco Products Act, 2003, in Crime No.653 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner was found in illegal possession of 20 kilograms of ganja. Hence, the complaint.

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 in judicial custody from 17.10.2025. Hence, he seeks bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor submitted that two previous cases are pending against the petitioner. Therefore, he opposed for grant of bail to the petitioner.



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5. Considering the fact that even though the petitioner has previous cases, the present case does not involve commercial quantity and also considering the period of incarceration suffered by the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner, subject to the following conditions:

6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on executing 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, Pattukottai, 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 make a non refundable deposit of Rs.3,000/- (Rupees Three Thousand only) to the credit of the Headmaster, Government High School, G Udayapatty, Kulithalai, State Bank of India, Kulithalai Branch, Account No.31470991902, IFSC No.SBIN0000863, MICR Code: 639002051, without prejudice to his contentions and rights before the trial



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Court. On such deposit being made, the learned Judicial Magistrate shall accept the sureties furnished by the petitioner.

(c) the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m until further orders.

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

(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 petitioners 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 thereafter abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS 2023.

(S S Y J)
29.10.2025

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1. The Judicial Magistrate, Pattukottai.
2. The Superintendent, Sub Jail,
Thanjavur.
3. The Inspector of Police,
Pattukkottai Town Police Station,
Thanjavur District.
4. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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