



CRL OP(MD). No.19011 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 31.10.2025

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MRS JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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Chellapandi

... Petitioner/ Accused

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu
Represented by
The Forest Range Officer,
Forest Range,
Srivilliputhur,
(WLOR No.13 of 2025)

... Respondent

For Petitioner : Mr.S.Muthiah Poosari Amalan

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

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of BNSS Act
2023.

PRAYER :-For Anticipatory Bail in WLOR.No.13 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/Accused, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Chapter V of Sections 21(d)(h), 51 of Indian Forest Act 1882 and Chapter-I, Section 2(1), (16), (20), (24A), (24B), (26A), (33) (35), (37), 9, 27, 31, 32, 39, 44 and Chapter VI Section 51(1) of Wild Life Protection Act 1972, (Amended by 2022) and Section 7, 25(1A) and 27(1) of Arms Acts, in WLOR.No.13 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner along with other accused persons were found in possession of dotted deer skin-1, dotted deer legs-4, dotted deer meat 1.5 kgs, country gun and knife. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He further submitted that co-accused had already been granted bail by the Principal District and Sessions Judge,



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Srivilliputhur, Virudhunagar District. He further submitted that the petitioner seeks to modify the satisfaction of the Court " District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Watrap, instead of Judicial Magistrate No.1, Srivilliputhur. He further submitted that the petitioner is willing to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he seeks anticipatory bail for the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) submitted that there are no previous case pending against the petitioner and the property has been recovered. However, he vehemently opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and also the fact that the property has been recovered. This Court is inclined to modify the Satisfaction Court as District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Watrap, and this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions.



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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 learned District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate, Watrap, 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 daily at 10.30 a.m., until further orders.

[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.



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[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].

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

(S S Y J)
31.10.2025

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To

- 1.The learned District Munsif cum Judicial Magistrate,
Watrap.
- 2.The Forest Range Officer,
Forest Range,
Srivilliputhur.
3. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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