



CRL OP(MD). No.19013 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 31.10.2025

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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Pragadheeswaran

... Petitioner/Accused No.7

Vs

The State of Tamilnadu,
Rep., by the Inspector of Police,
Tamil University Police Station,
Thanjavur District.
(Crime No.480 of 2025)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.C.Senthil Murugan

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

PETITION FOR BAIL Under Sec.483 of BNSS

PRAYER :- For Bail in Crime No.480 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 was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 17.10.2025 for the offences punishable under Sections 8(c) & 20(b) (ii)(B) of NDPS Act, in Crime No.480 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner was found in possession of 10 kgs 400 gms 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 offence 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 Government Advocate (Crl. Side) submitted that the petitioner has no previous cases. However, he opposed for grant of bail to the petitioner.



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5. Taking into consideration of the facts and circumstances of the case and the quantity of the contraband is not commercial 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) each with two sureties, each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Additional District and Sessions Judge/Presiding officer, Special Court for Essential Commodities Act Cases, Thanjavur, 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 Dean,
Thanjavur Government Hospital daily at 10.30 a.m.,**



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and do social service at the Thanjavur Government Hospital, Thanjavur, for a period of four weeks and thereafter, the petitioner shall report before the respondent Police as and when required;

[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 BNS.

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To

1. The Additional District and Sessions Judge/Presiding officer, Special Court for Essential Commodities Act Cases, Thanjavur,

2. The Superintendent, District Prison, Thanjavur.

3. The Inspector of Police, Tamil University Police Station, Thanjavur District.

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



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