



CRL OP(MD). No.19281 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 04.11.2025

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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... Petitioner/ Accused No.4

Vs

The State of Tamilnadu,
Rep by the Inspector of Police,
Palakkarai Police Station,
Trichy District.
(Crime No.675 of 2024)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.K.M.Karunakaran

For Respondent : Mrs.M.Aasha
Government Advocate (Crl. side)

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of BNSS

PRAYER :-

For Anticipatory Bail in Cr.No.675 of 2024 on the file of the
respondent police.



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ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner/Accused, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 296(b), 115(2), 318(4) of BNS, 2025 r/w. Section 5, 7(3) of Lotteries Regulation Act, 1998, in Crime No.675 of 2024, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that, due to a dispute over lottery prize money, the petitioner along with other accused persons abused the defacto complainant in filthy language and assaulted him with a wooden log. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. Hence, he prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent Police submits that there are seven previous cases pending



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against the petitioner and that he is also a history sheeter. Therefore, he opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Taking into consideration of the facts and circumstances of the case and also considering the nature of offence, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, this Petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or his appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned Judicial Magistrate No.5, Trichy, 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 respondent Police or to the Police Officer, who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned 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 Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity;



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(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 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 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;

(f) if the accused thereafter abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS 2023.

(S S Y J)
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1. The Judicial Magistrate No.5, Trichy
2. The Inspector of Police,
Palakkarai Police Station,
Trichy District.
3. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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