



CRL OP(MD). No.20276 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 17.11.2025

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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... Petitioner

Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu
Rep. by the Inspector of Police,
Koodakovil Police Station,
Madurai District.
(Crime No.81 of 2025)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.Muruganandam. M

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

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of BNSS

PRAYER :- For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.81 of 2025 on the file of
the Respondent Police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-



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The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 24(1) of the Cigarette and other Tobacco Products Act, 2003, in Crime No.81 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the first accused was found illegal possession of 11.700 kgs of Tobacco products and the contraband was seized and he gave confession that these tobacco products were purchased from the present petitioner/A2. Hence the complaint.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and has not committed any offences as alleged by the prosecution, and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that the petitioner is ready and willing to abide by any conditions which may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he seeks anticipatory bail for the petitioner.

4. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor submitted that the petitioner has no previous case and on the confession of the co-accused



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the petitioner is arrayed as accused. However, he opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and also the fact that the petitioner has no previous case, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions.

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 Judicial Magistrate, Tirumangalam, 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;



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[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily evening at 05.30 p.m. for a period of one week and thereafter 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]; and

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

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- 1.The Judicial Magistrate,
Tirumangalam.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
Koodakovil Police Station,
Madurai District.
- 3.The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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