



CRL OP(MD). No.20600 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 19.11.2025

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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Thomas Jayakumar

... Petitioner/ Accused

Vs

The State of Tamilnadu,
Rep by the Inspector of Police,
Valliyoor All Women Police Station,
Tirunelveli District.
(Crime No.78 of 2025)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.A.Kesavan

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.78 of 2025 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 13(c) r/w. Section 18 of POCSO Act and Section 77 of BNS, 2023 and later altered into Sections 13(c) r/w. Section 18 of POCSO Act and Sections 77 and 132 of BNS, 2023, in Crime No.78 of 2025, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that some boys took photos of girl students on 14.10.2025 and an FIR was filed. During inquiry, the petitioner allegedly interrupted and shouted, saying the school's reputation would be spoiled. 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



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respondent Police submits that some boys took photos of girl students on 14.10.2025 and an FIR was filed. During inquiry, the petitioner allegedly interrupted and shouted, saying the school's reputation would be spoiled. 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 Special Judge for Exclusive Trial of POCSO Act Cases, Tirunelveli, 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:



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(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;

(b) the petitioner shall report before the respondent police as and when required for investigation;

(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;



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(f) if the accused thereafter abscond, a fresh FIR can be

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To

1. The Special Judge for Exclusive Trial
of POCSO Act Cases, Tirunelveli.
2. The Inspector of Police,
Valliyoor All Women Police Station,
Tirunelveli District.
3. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,
Madurai.



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