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CRL.OP (MD) No.22348 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT
(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 05/12/2025

PRESENT

The HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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Rajivgandhi ... Petitioner/Sole Accused
Vs

The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep By, The Inspector of Police,
All Women Police Station,
Keeranur, Pudukkottai,
Cr.No.18 of 2025. .. Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.P.Ganapathi Subramanian,
Advocate.

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

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of BNSS
PRAYER :- C-58AB. For Anticipatory Bail in Cr.No.18 of
2025 on the file of the respondent police.

ORDER : The Court made the following order :-

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands
of the respondent police for the offences punishable
under Sections 5(1), 5(j)(ii), 6(1) of Protection of
Child from Sexual Offences Act, 2012, in Crime No.18 of
2025, on the file of the respondent police, seeks
anticipatory bail.



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2. The case of the prosecution is that it is a case of child marriage and the allegation against the petitioner is that he married a minor girl on 22.04.2025. 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 there is no previous cases pending against the petitioner. 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 is not having



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any previous cases, and considering the nature of offence, 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 Special Judge, Mahila Court, Pudukkottai, 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 as and when required for interrogation;

[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



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SCW 5560]; and

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

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TO

1. The Special Judge,
Mahila Court, Pudukkottai.

2. Do-Through The Chief Judicial Magistrate,
Pudukkottai District.

3. The Inspector of Police,
All Women Police Station,
Keeranur, Pudukkottai.

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



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S. SRIMATHY, J

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