



CRL OP(MD). No.23412 of 2025

BEFORE THE MADURAI BENCH OF MADRAS HIGH COURT

(Criminal Jurisdiction)

Date : 18.12.2025

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE S.SRIMATHY

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V.Rajesh Kanna

... Petitioner/Accused

Vs

State of Tamilnadu

Rep by the Inspector of Police,

CS- CID,

Dindigul.

(Crime No.157 of 2025)

... Respondent/Complainant

For Petitioner : Mr.Niranjana S.Kumar
Advocate.

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

PETITION FOR ANTICIPATORY BAIL Under Sec.482 of BNSS

PRAYER :- For Anticipatory Bail in Crime No.157 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/Accused, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 6(4) of the Tamil Nadu Scheduled Commodities (Regulation of Distribution by Card System) Order 1982 r/w 7(1)(a)(ii) of Essential Commodities Act 1955, in Crime No.157 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The prosecution case is that the petitioner, along with other accused persons had illegally transported 14,000 kgs of PDS rice, without any permission from the concerned authorities. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing 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 based on the confession of co-accused, the petitioner was falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that co-accused had already been granted anticipatory bail by this Court in Crl.OP(MD).No.12248 of 2025 dated



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30.07.2025. Hence, he prays for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) submitted that there is one previous case pending against the petitioner and the property has been recovered. However, he vehemently opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Taking into consideration of the facts and circumstances of the case and also the fact that the property has been recovered, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, with other conditions.

6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before the Special Court for Essential Commodities Act, Dindigul, 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 the police officer who intends to arrest or to



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the satisfaction of the Special Court for Essential Commodities Act, Dindigul, failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed and on further condition 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;

(b) the petitioner shall make a non refundable deposit of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) to the credit of the Headmaster, Masathiyar Cor. Higher Secondary School, Vaikkolkara Theru, Chinnakadai Veethi, South Gate, Madurai, Central Bank of India, South Gate Branch, Account No.P.T.A.FUND SB. 1833321714, IFSC No.CBIN0281503, MICR Code: 625016004, without prejudice to his contentions and rights before the trial Court, and on such deposit being made, the learned Judicial Magistrate shall accept the sureties furnished by the petitioner;

(c) the petitioner shall report before the respondent police as and when required for interrogation.

(d) the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;



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(e) the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

(f) 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 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;

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

(S S Y J)
18.12.2025

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To

1. The Special Court for Essential Commodities Act,
Dindigul.
2. The Inspector of Police,
CS- CID,
Dindigul.
3. The Additional Public Prosecutor,
Madurai Bench of Madras High Court, Madurai.
4. The Headmaster
Masathiyar Cor. Higher Secondary School,
Vaikkolkara Theru,
Chinnakadai Veethi, South Gate,
Madurai.

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