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CrI.OP.No.1348 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 23.01.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE K.RAJASEKAR

CrI.O.P.No.1348 of 2026

R.Ashok Kumar

... Petitioner

Vs.

The State by
The Inspector of Police,
North Vellore Police Station,
Vellore.

... Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of his arrest by the respondent police pending proceedings in Cr.No.380 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.J.Athiamaan

For Respondent : Ms.J.R.Archana
Government Advocate (CrI. Side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest for the alleged offence under Sections 296(b), 115(2), 118(1) and 351(3) of BNSS of 2023 in Cr.No.4 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.



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2. The case of the prosecution is that, due to a quarrel between the accused persons and the defacto complainant, the accused abused and assaulted the defacto complainant with a knife and a wooden log, thereby causing injuries. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is working as an Office Assistant in the Vellore Collectorate. He has been falsely implicated in this case, as the petitioner had merely gone to the spot to rescue A1. Hence, he prayed for the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side), appearing for the respondent police, reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that the petitioner has no previous cases and that the investigation is pending in this case. Hence, he vehemently opposed the grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. Heard both sides and perused the materials available on record.

6. Considering the nature of the allegations, the fact that the investigation is pending, and that no previous cases have been reported against the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions.



7. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance within a period of fifteen (15) days from the date on which the order copy made, before the learned **Judicial Magistrate-IV, Vellore** on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of **Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand only)** with two **sureties** each for a like sum to the satisfaction learned Magistrate concerned, and on further condition that:

(a) If the petitioner fails to surrender before the concerned Magistrate within a period of fifteen (15) days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, this order shall stand automatically cancelled;

(b) The sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the application for surety ship (Judicial Form No.46 annexed to 'The Criminal Rules of Practice, 2019]'. The learned Magistrate shall obtain a copy of any one of identify proofs to ensure their identity;

(c) **The petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., for a period of three weeks and thereafter, as and when required for interrogation;**

(d) On breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate actions against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the



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conditions have been imposed and the petitioner released on anticipatory bail by the learned Magistrate/Trial Court himself as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in ***P.K.Shaji v. State of Kerala [(2005) AIR SCW 5560]***;

(e) If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS Act.

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To

1. The **Judicial Magistrate-IV, Vellore**
2. The Inspector of Police,
North Vellore Police Station,
Vellore.
3. The Public Prosecutor
High Court of Madras, Chennai 600 104.



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