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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 12.01.2026

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**THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE K.RAJASEKAR**

**CrI.O.P.No.305 of 2026**

Arumugam

... Petitioner

Vs.

State Rep by  
The Inspector of Police,  
Thirunavalur Police Station,  
Kallakurichi District  
(Crime No.723 of 2025)

... Respondent

**PRAYER :** Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of BNSS, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of his arrest in connection with the Crime No.723 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioners : Mr.Kaandeeban

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

**ORDER**

The petitioner, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 303(2) of BNS 2023 r/w Section 21(1) of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation )Act, in Crime No.723 of 2025, on the file of the respondent Police, seeks anticipatory bail.



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2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner had involved in illegal transportation of 3/4 units of river sand from Kedilam river in 3 two-tyer bullock cart, without any valid license. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that the petitioner is ready to abide by any condition imposed by this court. Hence, he prayed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal side) for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that the petitioners had involved in illegal transportation of 3/4 units of river sand from Kedilam river, without any valid license and he is having previous case pending against him and hence, he opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner .

5. Considering the nature of offence committed by this petitioner and that this petitioner had involved not only in quarrying the river sand but also



in damaging the environment and ecology and if this petitioner is granted anticipatory bail, he will involve in similar activities and hence this Court is not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to this petitioner.

6. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition stands dismissed.

**12.01.2026**

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To

1. The Inspector of Police,  
Thirunavalur Police Station,  
Kallakurichi District

2. The Public Prosecutor  
High Court of Madras,  
Chennai 600 104.



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**K.RAJASEKAR, J.**

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