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CRL OP No. 906 of 2026



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 12-01-2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE K.RAJASEKAR

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1. Mani
S/o.Arunachalam, No.2/230, Karaikudi,
Devakottai, Thiruvegampet, Sivagangai
Distirct. Now residing at
Ponkalamman Koil Street, Rathinapuri,
Coimbatore District.

Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. State rep by
The Inspector of Police, C3-Sai Baba
Colony Police Station, Coimbatore
District. Crime No.4 of 2026

Respondent(s)

PRAYER

To enlarge the petitioner on bail concerned in Crime No.4 of 2026 pending investigation on the file of the respondent, on such terms and conditions and as this Honble Court.

For Petitioner(s): M.N.Balakrishnan

For Respondent(s): Mr.A.Gopinath
Government Advocate(Crl. Side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on
03.01.2026 for the alleged offences punishable under Sections 24(1) of



Cigarette and Other Tobacco Products Act 2003 and section 77 of the Juvenile Justice Act, 2015 in Crime No.4 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of prosecution is that the petitioner was found in possession of 4 kgs of banned tobacco products and the respondent police have seized the property. Hence this case.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He would further submit that the petitioner was arrested and he is in judicial custody from 03.01.2026 and ready to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prayed for grant of bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for respondent would submit that no previous case is pending against the petitioner and the petitioner illegally transported 4 kgs of banned tobacco products without proper permission. Hence, he strongly opposes grant of bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the above fact and circumstances of the case and also taking note of the fact that the property has been recovered and there are no



previous cases against the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

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6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his executing a bond for a sum of **Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand only)** with two sureties, for a like sum to the satisfaction of the *learned Judicial Magistrate-IV, Coimbatore*, and on further conditions that:-

[a] 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 daily at 10.30 a.m., for a period of three weeks.

[c] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

[d] the petitioner shall not tamper with the evidence or witness 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 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];

[f] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 B.N.S.

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To

1.The Judicial Magistrate-IV, Coimbatore.

1.State rep by

The Inspector of Police, C3-Sai Baba

Colony Police Station, Coimbatore

District. Crime No.4 of 2026

3.The Superintendent,

Central Prison, Coimbatore.

4.The Public Prosecutor,

High Court, Madras.



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