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Crl.O.P.No.1357 of 2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 29.01.2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE K. RAJASEKAR

CRL OP No.1357 of 2026

1.Elayasarathi @ Ilaya sarathi
2.Thangamani @ Thangamani Settu
3.Mohanraj

... Petitioners/ Accused

Vs

The State Rep. By,
The Inspector of Police,
Natrampalli Police Station,
Natrampalli, Tirupathur District.
(Crime No. 431 of 2025)

... Respondent/Complainant

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya
Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, pleased to enlarge the petitioner on
anticipatory bail in the event of arrest by the respondent in Crime No.431 of
2025 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.Vinodh Kumar

For Respondent : M/s.J.R.Archana
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The petitioners, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent
police for the offences punishable under Section 303(2), 326(a) of BNS Act,
2023, and r/w 21(1) Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation)
Act, 1957, in Crime No.431 of 2025 on the file of the respondent Police,



seek anticipatory bail.

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2. The allegation against these petitioners is that, the petitioners joined hands with the other accused and involved in illegal quarrying and transportation of one unit of Norambu sand using tipper lorries and hence, this case.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners have been falsely implicated in this case and have not involved in the offence as alleged; and are ready to co-operate with the investigation and also ready to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Court, hence sought for anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent while opposing the anticipatory bail to the petitioners reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that the petitioners along with the co-accused illegally transported the one unit of Norambu sand using tipper lorries.

5. Considering the submissions made on both sides and perused the materials available on record.



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6. Considering the facts and circumstances of this case, gravity of offence, nature and quantity involved in this case and that it is the case of illegal sand quarrying and also caused damage to the ecosystem. Therefore, this Court is not inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners.

7. Accordingly, this criminal original petition stands dismissed.

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To

1. The Judicial Magistrate No.III, Tirupathur.
2. The Inspector of Police,
Natrapalli Police Station,
Natrapalli, Tirupathur District.
(Crime No. 431 of 2025)
3. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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