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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 10.02.2026

CORAM :

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K. RAJASEKAR

Crl.O.P.No.3202 of 2026

Ashok Kumar

... Petitioner

-VS-

State Rep by,
The Inspector of Police,
All Women Police Station,
Erode, Erode District.
(Crime No.36 of 2025)

... Respondent

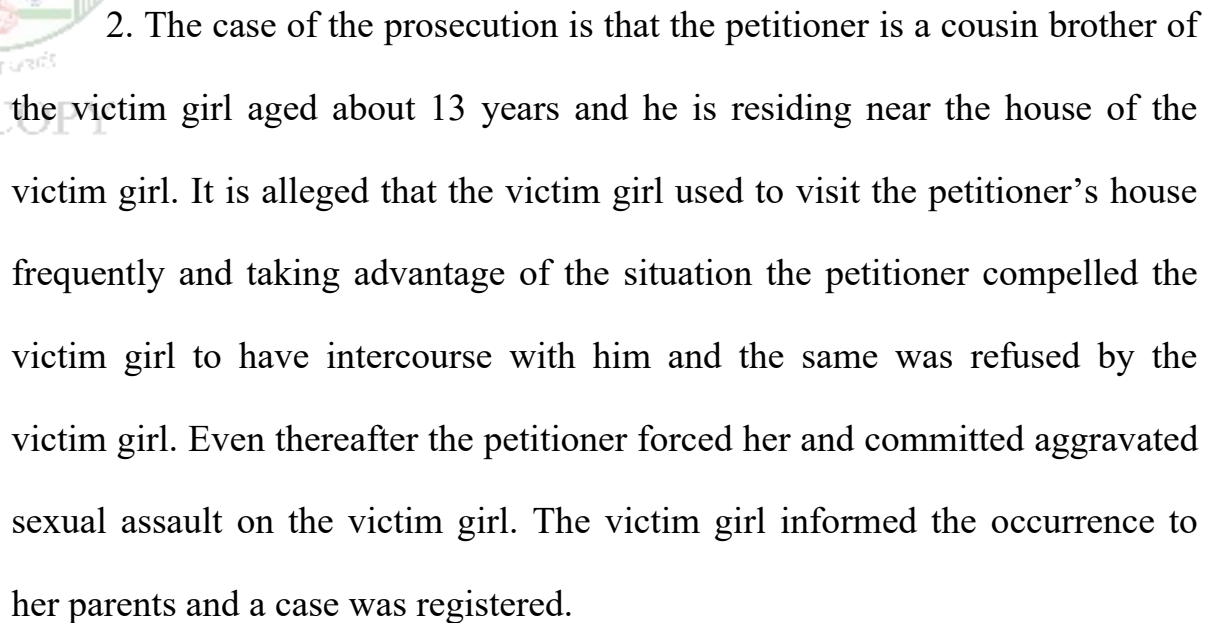
Prayer:- Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Crime No.36 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.C.Prakasam

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

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 18.10.2025 for the alleged offences punishable under Sections 5(m), 5(n) 5(1) & 6 of POCSO Act, in Crime No.36 of 2025, registered on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.



3. Earlier, this Court dismissed the bail petition filed by the petitioner in
Crl.OP.No.36062 of 2025 dated 08.01.2026 for the following reason:

“4. Considering the manner in which the occurrence has taken place and also taking note of the statement of victim and it is a case of aggravated penetrative sexual assault and if the petitioner granted bail, he would indulge in tampering the witness, hence this Court considering the nature of offence committed by the petitioner, this Court is not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner and this petition stands dismissed.”

4. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the investigation is completed and the final report and that the petitioner is in judicial custody for a long period. Hence, he prays to grant bail to the petitioner.

5. Considering the above fact that the petitioner is in judicial custody since 16.10.2025 and other facts and circumstances of the case, and there is no



change in circumstances to revisit the earlier order, this Court is not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner.

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6. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition stands dismissed.

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To

1.The Inspector of Police,
All Women Police Station,
Erode, Erode District.

2.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.



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