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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 04-02-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE K.RAJASEKAR

CRL OP No. 2474 of 2026

Vasanth Kumar @ Karthi
S/o.Anburaj,
B II 657, Change Quarters,
Indhira Nagar,
Neyveli,
Cuddalore-607 801.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

State of Tamilnadu rep.by, The Inspector of Police,
Neyveli township Police station,
Cuddalore District.
Cr.No.355 of 2025.

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: This petition is filed under Section 482 of BNSS To enlarge the petitioners on bail in the event of his arrest by the respondent police in cr.No.355 of 2025 on the file of the Inspector of Police, Neyveli Township Police Station, Cuddalore District.



For Petitioner(s): M/S.B.Harish
Pamujula Divya Bhanu
A.Nileshram
S.Murari

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

ORDER

The petitioner, who apprehend arrest for the alleged offence under Sections 275 and 123 of IPC, 1860 and Section 24(1) of the cigarette and Other Tobacco Products Act, 2003 in Crime No.355 of 2025, on the file of the respondent police, seek anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner had joined hands with other accused were found in possession of 1.800 kgs of banned tobacco products. Hence, the present case.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has not committed any such offence as alleged by the prosecution and he has been wrongly implicated in this case on suspicion. Hence, he prayed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.



4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police, reiterated the prosecution case and reported that the quantity of the contraband involved in this case is 1.800 kgs and the same were seized by the respondent police. However, he opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

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

6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and the submissions made by both counsel, and taking note of the quantity involved in this case and also the fact that the banned contraband was seized and there is no previous case as against the petitioner, I am 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 **District Munsif Cum Judicial Magistrate, Neyveli** 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;

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(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 everyday 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 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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Index: Yes/No

Speaking/Non-speaking order

Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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To.

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1. The District Munsif Cum Judicial Magistrate, Neyveli
2. The Inspector of Police,
Neyveli township Police station, Cuddalore District.
3. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras
Chennai 600 104.



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