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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 11.02.2026

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**THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K.RAJASEKAR**

Crl.O.P.No.3279 of 2026

Ashokkumar

... Petitioner

-Vs-

The State Rep by the Inspector of Police,  
District Crime Branch Police Station,  
Dharmapuri District.  
(Crime No. Not known of 2026)

... Respondent

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in event of arrest, pending investigation in Crime No. Not known of 2025 on the file of respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.Stalin Natarajan  
For Respondent : Ms.J.R.Archana,  
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)

### **ORDER**

The petitioner apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offence punishable **under Sections 318(b), 316 of Bharathia Naya Samhitha Act in Crime No. Not known of 2026**, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. Today, when the matter taken up for hearing, the learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent / State on instructions, submitted that the petition enquiry is pending against the petitioner in C.S.R.No.148 of 2025.

**K.RAJASEKAR,J.**



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3. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) for the respondent.

4. Considering the facts and circumstances, the respondent police has to issue notice under Section 41(A) of Cr.P.C to the petitioner and the petitioner is directed to appear before the respondent police and the Investigating Officer has to conduct the enquiry by strictly following the procedures therein and if any *prima facie* case is made out against the petitioner, register the F.I.R or close the petition enquiry within a period of two (2) weeks from today. The parties are directed to cooperate with the enquiry. It is needless to say that the respondent police shall not take any coercive steps to secure the accused till the completion of enquiry on the complaint lodged by the defacto complainant.

5. With the above directions, this Criminal Original Petition is disposed of.

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To:

1. The Judicial Magistrate, Dharmapuri.
2. The Inspector of Police, District Crime Branch Police Station, Dharmapuri District.
3. The Public Prosecutor, High Court of Madras.

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