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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 06-02-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE K.RAJASEKAR

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Satheeshkumar

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State Rep.by., The Inspector of Police
AWPS – Vellore Police Station,Vellore District
(Crime No. 2 of 2026)

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: This petition is filed under Section 482 of BNSS to enlarge the petitioner on Bail in the event of his arrest, pending investigation in the Crime No. 2 of 2026, on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner(s): Mr. Pradeep

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



ORDER

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The petitioner, who apprehends arrest by the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 79 of BNS r/s Section 4 of TNPHW Act Crime No.14 of 2026 seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner is working as a District Officer in the Dr. Kalaignar Karunanidhi District Science Centre, Vellore and the defacto complainant is working as a temporary staff in the same office. It is alleged that the petitioner has made improper comments about the defacto complainant and caused severe mental harassment to her. Hence, the complaint.

3.The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner has not made any remarks or comments about the defacto complainant and he has instructed her regarding the work to be carried by her, due to which he has been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that the petitioner is ready to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prayed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that the petitioner has unnecessarily commented about the defacto complainant and caused mental agony to her. He further submitted investigation in this case is completed. However, he opposed for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner.



6. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner as well as the learned Government Advocate (Crl.side) and perused the materials available on record.

7. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel on either side and the fact that investigation in this case is completed, considering the nature of the offence custodial interrogation of the petitioner is not necessary, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on anticipatory bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen (15) days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order before the ***learned Judicial Magistrate (Additional Mahila Court), Vellore***, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Thousand Only), with two sureties, each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the respondent police or the police officer who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned and on further condition 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, everyday at 10.30 a.m., for a period of two weeks and thereafter as and when required for interrogation;

(c) the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

(d) the petitioner shall not abscond 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]*; and;

(f) if the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of B.N.S.

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Index: Yes/No

Speaking/Non-speaking order

Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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To

1. The ***Judicial Magistrate (Additional Mahila Court), Vellore,***

2. The Inspector of Police

AWPS – Vellore Police Station, Vellore District

3. The Public Prosecutor,

High Court, Madras.



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