



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 20.02.2026

CORAM :

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K. RAJASEKAR

Crl.O.P.No.4166 of 2026

Karthikeyan

... Petitioner

-VS-

State Rep by,
The Inspector of Police,
W-38 AWPS Police Station,
Kolathur, Chennai.
(Crime No.17 of 2025)

... Respondent

Prayer:- Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Crime No.17 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.C.K.M.Appaji

For Respondent : Dr.C.E.Pratap
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 04.02.2026 for the alleged offence punishable under Section 64(1) of BNS in Crime No.17 of 2025, registered on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.



2. The allegation against the petitioner is that he is a doctor, under whom the defacto complainant was working as a part-time employee. It is alleged that the defacto complainant was a student of Physiotherapy and on the date of occurrence, the petitioner called her to assist him in providing treatment to a lady patient. Accordingly, she went there, and after completing massage and other treatment, while returning, the petitioner offered her an intoxicating drink, and taken up to her isolated flat and committed rape on her. During the intercourse, she gained consciousness and she immediately objected and came out of the flat. It is further alleged that the petitioner dropped her in front of another house, from where she immediately contacted her family members. She also questioned the act of the petitioner with his wife and thereafter, she lodged a complaint against the petitioner. Hence, a case has been registered and the petitioner was arrested.

3. Earlier, this Court dismissed the bail petition filed by the petitioner in CrI.OP.No.1645 of 2026 on the following reasons:

“6. On Perusal of FIR, the statement of the victim and other connected materials, it was revealed that there are various disturbing facts. More particularly, the victim has categorically stated that the petitioner committed sexual intercourse with her after administering an intoxicating drink. Considering the gravity of the offence and the fact that the investigation is still pending, this Court is not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner”.



4. Since there is no change in circumstances to revisit the earlier order passed by this Court, this Court is not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner.

5. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is dismissed.

20.02.2026

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To

1.The Inspector of Police,
W-38 AWPS Police Station,
Kolathur, Chennai.

2.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.



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