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Crl.O.P.No.5575 of 2026



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 04.03.2026

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THE HONOURABLE Mr. JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

Crl.O.P.No.5575 of 2026

Krishnanraj

... Petitioner

Vs.

State rep by
The Inspector of Police,
All Women Police Station,
Panruti, Cuddalore District.
(Crime No. 93 of 2025)

... Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, Act, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of arrest in Crime No.93 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.K.Gandhi Kumar

For Respondent : Mr. P. Dhileepan
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The petitioner apprehends arrest for the alleged offence under Sections 85, 296(b), 351(2) of BNS, in Crime No.93 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police seeks anticipatory bail.



2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner, along with other accused abused the defacto complainant both physically and mentally and also demanded dowry. Hence, the complaint.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the parents of the petitioners have already been enlarged on anticipatory bail, whereas the petitioner has filed a previous application only against him, and the same was dismissed. Hence, he prays to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. Per contra, the learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent did not dispute the said fact of the learned counsel for the petitioner.

5. I have given my anxious consideration to either side's submissions.

6. Even according to the prosecution, the occurrence had taken place on 28.08.2024, whereas the complaint was lodged only on 04.11.2025. Taking into consideration the long duration between the alleged incident and the registration of the FIR, this Court is of the view that at this length of time, no custodial interrogation of the petitioner is required. In such a view of the position, this Court is inclined to enlarge the petitioner on anticipatory bail, 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 is made ready, before the **learned Judicial Magistrate No.II, Panruti**, 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 of the learned Magistrate concerned, and on further conditions:

(a) If the petitioner fails to surrender before the concerned learned 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;

(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, daily at 10.30 a.m., for a period of two 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 petitioners 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]***;



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(e) If the petitioner thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS Act.

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To

1.The Judicial Magistrate No.II,
Panruti.

2.The Inspector of Police,
All Women Police Station,
Panruti, Cuddalore District.

3.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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