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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 25-03-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

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..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The Inspector of Police,
Tindivanam, Tindivanam Police Station,
Villupuram District.
(Crime No. 20 of 2026)

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, Act, 2023 to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner in the event of arrest by the respondent police in Crime No. 20 of 2026 pending investigation before the respondent.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.Sivaraman.N

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

ORDER

The petitioner apprehends arrest for the alleged offences under Sections 111(2), 123 of BNS r/w.8(C), 20(b)(ii)(A) & 21(b) of the Narcotics Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (in short 'the Act') in Crime No.20 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police seeks anticipatory bail.



2. The allegation against the petitioner is that the petitioner and other accused were involved in illegal possession of 75 grams Ganja, Tapentadol Tablets (100 mg-100 tablets) and 10 Syringes and Sodium chloride water. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has been falsely implicated in this case and that the recovered narcotic substances does not fall under the category of commercial quantity. Hence, he prayed that the petitioner may be enlarged on anticipatory bail.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that the petitioner is the supplier of the above narcotic and he vehemently opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

5. I have given my anxious consideration to the submissions made by the learned counsel on either side and perused the materials available on record.

6. From the submissions made by the learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side), it is seen that the petitioner is the supplier of the aforesaid narcotic substances. The nature of the offence alleged is grave and his action has a



serious impact on society at large. Hence, granting anticipatory bail in cases involving narcotic substances, may send a wrong message to society at large.

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7. In view of the above, this Court does not find any merit in the present anticipatory bail application. Accordingly, these criminal original petitions are dismissed.

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To

1. The Inspector of Police,
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2. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.



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