



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 12-06-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

CRL OP Nos. 9330 and 12350 of 2026

Crl.OP.No.9330 of 2026

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Crl.OP.No.12350 of 2026

Santhosh Karthick

..Petitioners

Vs

State rep. by
The Inspector of Police
Tiruvannamalai Taluk Police Station,
Tiruvannamalai District.
Crime No.329 of 2025

..Respondent

Common Prayer: Criminal Original Petitions filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the petitioners on bail in Crime No.329 of 2025 pending investigation on the file of the respondent.

For Petitioner in
both Crl OPs:

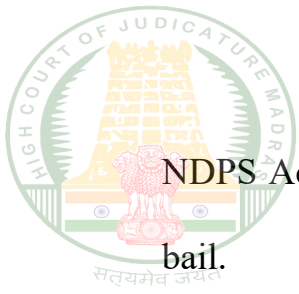
Mr.Sathiyaraj E.

For Respondent:

Mr.S.Yogaraja Sekar,
Counsel for Government of Tamil Nadu
(Criminal Side)

ORDER

The petitioners, who were arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 29.12.2025 for the alleged offences under Sections 8(c) r/w 22(c), 29(1) of



NDPS Act in Crime No.329 of 2025 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

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2. The case of the prosecution is that on the day of occurrence, the respondent police intercepted the car bearing Reg No.TN 49 AY 6426 and seized 54 grams of Methamphetamine from the packet of A1 and the mobile phones of A1 to A3. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the occurrence took place on 29.12.2025. The petitioner is Cr.OP.No.9330 of 2026 has been arrayed as A3 and the Petitioner in Crl.OP.No.12300 of 2026 has been arrayed as A2. He further submitted that even according to the prosecution, even according to the prosecution, A1 purchased contraband from an unknown Nigerian National; and there is no recovery from these petitioners and considering their status as students and their long period of incarceration since 29.12.2025, he prayed for the grant of bail to the petitioners.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and the said contention was totally objected by the learned Government counsel (Criminal Side). He further submitted that the recovery has been effected from these petitioners and these petitioners have also travelled along with A1 and apart from that, investigation



is still pending and charge sheet is yet to filed. Hence, he opposed to grant bail to the petitioners.

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

6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case; taking note of the submission made by the learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side); considering the totality of the circumstances and upon the fact that these petitioners were also travelling along with A1 from whom according to prosecution, 54 grams of Methamphetamine was recovered. Hence, this Court is of the firm view that the rigour under section 37 of NDPS Act would attract. Apart from that, investigation is still pending. Hence, it is not desirable to enlarge the petitioners on bail.

7. Accordingly, these Criminal Original Petitions stand dismissed.

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To:

1. The Inspector of Police
Tiruvannamalai Taluk Police Station,
Tiruvannamalai District.

2. The Public Prosecutor, High Court of Madras



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