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Crl.O.P.No.7441 of 2026



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 24.03.2026

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THE HONOURABLE Mr. JUSTICE C.KUMARAPPAN

Crl.O.P.No.7441 of 2026

Syed Kathar

... Petitioner

Vs.

State by. The Inspector of Police,
District Crime Branch,
Cuddalore.

Crime No. Not known of 2026

... 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 his arrest in connection with Crime No. Not known of 2026 on the file
of respondent Police, pending investigation.

For Petitioner : Mr.M.Vijayaragavan

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

ORDER

The petitioner apprehend arrest for the alleged offence under Section
318(3) and 318(4) of BNS, 2023 in Crime No. Not known of 2026, seeks
anticipatory bail.



2. When the matter is taken up for hearing today, the learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent submits that petitioner enquiry is pending against the petitioner.

3. In such circumstances, this Court is of the firm view that the respondent Police may be directed to follow the procedure as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in *Satender Kumar Antil v. Central Bureau Of Investigation* reported in (2026 INSC 115) and 2025 SCC OnLine SC 1578 and the Investigating Officer has to conduct the enquiry by strictly following the procedures therein and if any *prima facie* case is made out against the petitioner, register the F.I.R or close the petition enquiry within a period of two weeks from today. The parties are directed to cooperate with the enquiry. It is needless to say that the respondent police shall not take any coercive steps to secure the accused till the completion of enquiry, on the complaint lodged by the defacto complainant.

4. With the above directions, this criminal original petition is disposed of.

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To

- 1.The Inspector of Police,
District Crime Branch,
Cuddalore.
- 2.The Public Prosecutor, High Court of Madras.

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