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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 30.04.2026

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THE HONOURABLE Mr. JUSTICE G.K. ILANTHIRAIYAN

Crl.O.P.No.10924 of 2026

1. Arul Rozario Arul @ Arulrozario

2. Ramachandran @ Shyam

... Petitioner(s)

Vs.

State represented by the Inspector of Police,

District Crime Branch,

Namakkal District.

Crime No.2 of 2026

... Respondent(s)

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 hi arrest in connection with Crime No.2 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner(s) : Mr.Neelavathi

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

ORDER

The petitioners, who apprehend arrest at the hands of the respondent Police for the offences punishable under Sections 420, 468, 471, 120B, 294(b) and 506(i) of IPC, in Crime No.2 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seek anticipatory bail.



2. The case of the prosecution is that, on the pretext of securing employment abroad, the petitioners allegedly induced as many as 25 victims and cheated them to the tune of Rs.80,00,000/-. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submitted that they are innocent and have been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that the petitioners are willing to repay the said amount and are ready to abide by any stringent conditions that may be imposed by this Court, and prayed for grant of anticipatory bail.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side), appearing for the respondent police, while opposing the grant of anticipatory bail, reiterated the prosecution case and, on instructions, submitted that the petitioners have no bad antecedents.

5. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, particularly the nature of the allegations, the number of victims involved, and the submission made by the learned counsel for the petitioners that they are willing to repay the amount, coupled with the fact that the petitioners have no adverse antecedents, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners, subject to certain stringent conditions.



6. Accordingly, the petitioners are 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 Court – I, Namakkal, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten 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(s) 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(s) 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(s) in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioner(s) 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]***;



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

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To

1. The learned Judicial Magistrate Court-I, Namakkal.
2. The Inspector of Police, District Crime Branch, Namakkal District.
3. The Public Prosecutor, High Court of Madras.



G.K. ILANTHIRAIYAN, J.

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