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Crl.O.P.No.10549 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 29.04.2026

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A.D.JAGADISH CHANDIRA

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Venkatesan @ Kullan

... Petitioner

Vs.

The State represented by,
The Inspector of Police,
Arcot Taluk Police Station,
Ranipet District.
(Crime No.20 of 2026).

... Respondent

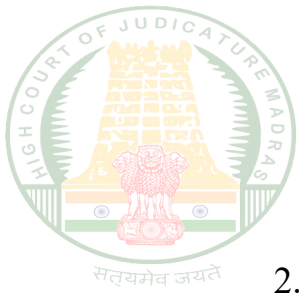
PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to enlarge the petitioner on bail, in connection with Crime No.20 of 2026, pending investigation on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner : Mr.D.Thirumoorthy

For Respondent : Mr.S.Vinoth Kumar
Government Advocate (Criminal Side)

ORDER

Petition seeking bail in respect of Crime No.20 of 2026 registered for the offences punishable under Sections 296(b), 232(1) and 351(2) of BNS, is on board for consideration.



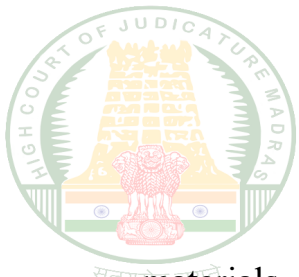
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2. The learned counsel for the petitioner, pleading innocence on the part of the petitioner, who has been in incarceration since 27.01.2026 and false implication in the case, seeks indulgence of this Court. He also submits that the petitioner and the *de facto* complainant are known to each other and due to some misunderstanding, a false complaint has been lodged. He further submits that the petitioner is ready to abide by any stringent condition that may be imposed by this court.

3. The case of the prosecution as put forth by the learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police, while opposing the grant of bail, is that the petitioner, who is an accused in a case involving the POCSO Act lodged by the *de facto* complainant in Crime No.110 of 2025, abused and intimidated the *de facto* complainant to withdraw the said case. He further submits that the case in Crime No.110 of 2025 has been taken on the file of the learned Principal Sessions Court, Ranipet, in Spl.S.C.No.177 of 2025. He further submits that the investigation in this case has almost been completed and this is the second application for bail filed by the petitioner before this Court.

4. Having heard the learned counsel for the petitioner, the learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) for the respondent police and perused the



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materials available on record and considering the period of incarceration undergone by the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner with certain conditions and accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his executing a bond for a sum of **Rs.15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Thousand only)** with **two sureties**, each for a like sum, to the satisfaction of the learned **District Munsif-cum-Judicial Magistrate, Arcot**, and on further conditions that:

[a] the sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the surety bond and the Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity;

[b] **the petitioner shall report before the respondent police, everyday at 06.30 p.m., until further orders;**

[c] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

[d] the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

[e] On breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Magistrate/trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioner released on bail by the learned Magistrate/trial Court himself as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in ***P.K.Shaji vs. State of Kerala [(2005)AIR SCW 5560]***;



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[f] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of B.N.S.

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2. All concerned to act on this order being uploaded on Official Website of this Court without insisting on certified hard copies. To be noted, this order, when uploaded on the official website of this Court, will be watermarked and will also have a QR code.

To

1. The District Munsif-cum-Judicial Magistrate, Arcot.
2. The Inspector of Police, Arcot Taluk Police Station, Ranipet District.
3. The Superintendent, Central Prison, Vellore.
4. The Public Prosecutor, High Court of Madras.



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