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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 20-05-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE R.SAKTHIVEL

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Mani @ Chandramohan
S/o.Angamuthu,
195/8, VGB Garden, RN Pudur,
Cholan Nagar,
Periya Semur,
Erode Distirct.

..Petitioner/A1

Vs

The State represented by The Inspector of Police
Sankari Police Station,
Salem District.
(Crime No. 83 of 2026)

..Respondent(s)/
Complainant

Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023 to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Crime No.83 of 2026 on the file of the respondent.

For Petitioner(s):

Mr.Arun Raja.M
for Mr.C.Deepakkumar

For Respondent(s):

Mr.L.Baskaran
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)



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ORDER

This Criminal Original Petition has been filed by the petitioner under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023 praying to grant bail.

2. The petitioner / Accused No.1 was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 12.03.2026 for the alleged offences punishable under Sections 420, 294(b) and 506(1) of IPC in Crime No.83 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police.

3. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner/A1 had borrowed money from the de-facto complainant to the tune of Rs.21 lakhs by way of cash by executing promissory note, however failed to return the money. He also threatened the defacto complainant with dire consequences on questioning about the return of the said borrowed amount. He is also having six previous cases.

4. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the



prosecution. He further submits that the petitioner has been in judicial custody since 12.03.2026. He further submits that the petitioner is ready to abide by any stringent conditions that may be imposed by this Court. He therefore prays to grant bail to the petitioner.

5. Per contra, the learned Government Advocate (Crl. Side) appearing for the respondent police, submits that the petitioner has borrowed a sum of Rs.21 lakhs from the de-facto complainant but failed to return the amount and also threatened the de-facto complainant with dire consequences. He further submits that there are 6 previous cases against the petitioner. Therefore, he contends that, if the petitioner is released on bail, there is possibility of committing offences in future. Accordingly, he prays to dismiss this Criminal Original Petition.

6. Heard on both sides and also perused the materials available on record.

7. On bare perusal of the case, it is seen that the case pertains to money transaction between the petitioner and the de-facto complainant. It is alleged that the petitioner has borrowed a sum of Rs.21 lakhs by executing promissory note in favour of the de-facto complainant, however failed to return the same.



8. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and the alleged offence committed by the petitioner is of civil in nature and also taking into account, the period of incarceration undergone by the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner, however on certain conditions. Accordingly, bail is granted to the petitioner subject to the following conditions:

*(i) The petitioner shall execute a bond for Rs.21,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty One Lakhs only) and furnish two sureties each for a like sum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand Only) to the satisfaction of the learned **Judicial Magistrate No.1, Sankari**;*

*(ii) The sureties shall affix their photographs and left thumb impression in the Application for Suretyship [Judicial Form No.46 annexed to 'The Criminal Rules of Practice, 2019']. The learned **Judicial Magistrate No.1, Sankari** shall obtain a copy of any one of their identity proofs to ensure their identity;*

(iii) The petitioner shall appear and sign before the respondent police daily at 10.00 a.m., until further orders;

(iv) The petitioner shall not, directly or indirectly, cause any threat to the witnesses; and

*(v) On breach of any of the aforementioned conditions, the learned **Judicial Magistrate No.1, Sankari** is entitled to pass appropriate orders against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the aforementioned conditions are imposed by them as laid*



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down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in ***P.K.Shaji Vs. State of Kerala [(2005)13 SCC 283]***.

9. Accordingly, this Criminal Original Petition is allowed subject to the conditions stated *supra*.

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To

- 1.The Judicial Magistrate No.1, Sankari.
- 2.The Superintendent of Prisons,
Central Prison, Salem.
- 3.The Inspector of Police
Sankari Police Station, Salem District.
- 4.The Public Prosecutor,
High Court, Madras.



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