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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

CRL OP No. 11076 of 2026

Gokulakannan

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State Rep by its,
The Inspector of Police
Uthiramerur Police Station,
Kancheepuram District.
(Crime No.86 of 2026)

..Respondent(s)

Criminal Original Petition has been filed under Section 482 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023, to enlarge the Petitioner on Anticipatory bail in the event of his arrest by the Respondent Police pending investigation in Crime No.86 of 2026 on the file of the Respondent Police and thus render justice.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.V.Vijaya Kumar

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

ORDER

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for offences punishable under Sections 126(b), 115(2), 118(1), and 351(3) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), 2023, corresponding to Sections



341, 323, 324, and 506(ii) of the IPC, read with Section 4 of the Tamil Nadu Prohibition of Harassment of Women Act, 1998, in Crime No.86 of 2026, seeks anticipatory bail.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner, pleading the petitioner's innocence and alleging false implication in the case, seeks the indulgence of this Court. He submits that the petitioner has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He further submits that the defacto complainant trespassed into the petitioner's property and attempted to encroach on it; when the petitioner questioned this illegal act, the defacto complainant, along with his family, provoked and attacked the petitioner. Thus, the petitioner's actions were purely in self-defence. He further submits that the petitioner is ready to abide by any stringent conditions 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, opposing the grant of anticipatory bail, is that during a wordy quarrel between the petitioner, the defacto complainant, and the family members, the petitioner abused them in filthy language and attacked them with a wooden log. It is further alleged that the defacto complainant sustained injuries and was admitted to hospital, where he underwent treatment for two days before being discharged. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) also submitted that while there is a



counter-case filed by the petitioner, it is currently pending investigation, and the gravity of the injuries sustained by the de facto complainant and his party in the present case warrants custodial interrogation.

4. Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent and perused the materials available on record.

5. Taking note of the facts and circumstances of the case, the submissions made by the learned counsel on either side, and the nature of the dispute which appears to have arisen from a property quarrel, this Court observes that while the defacto complainant was hospitalised for two days, a counter-case has also been registered by the petitioner. Considering that the investigation is already in progress and custodial interrogation is not required at this stage, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions.

6. Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy is made ready, before the learned District Munsif-cum-Judicial Magistrate, Uthiramerur, Kancheepuram District, on condition that the petitioner shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand only) with two sureties, each for a like sum, to the satisfaction of the



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learned Magistrate concerned, and on further conditions that:

[a] If the petitioner 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 suretyship (Judicial Form No.46 annexed to 'The Criminal Rules of Practice, 2019]'. The learned Magistrate shall obtain a copy of any one of identity proofs to ensure their identity;

[c] The petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10:30 a.m., until further orders;

[d] The petitioner shall not directly or indirectly cause any threat to the defacto complainant and witnesses and shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial;

[e] The petitioner shall make himself available for interrogation by a Police officer as and when required;

[f] The petitioner shall give an undertaking that if required for being identified by witnesses during investigation or for Police custody beyond the first fifteen days, he will comply with the directions as may be given



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by the Court in this regard;

[g] The petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;

[h] 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 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]***;

[i] If the petitioner thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 of BNS Act.

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Index: Yes/No

Speaking/Non-speaking order

Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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To

- 1.The District Munsif-cum-Judicial Magistrate, Uthiramerur, Kancheepuram District.
- 2.The Inspector of Police, Uthiramerur Police Station, Kancheepuram District.
- 3.The Public Prosecutor, High Court of Madras, Chennai.



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