



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 07-05-2026

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THE HON'BLE MRS.JUSTICE L.VICTORIA GOWRI

CRL OP No. 11944 of 2026

Muruganantham
S/o Veerasamy,
No.9/96B, Tharagamarudhur,
Moolaikkarai,
Vedaranyam Taluk,
Nagapattinam District

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State Rep By, The Inspector of Police
Voimedu Police Station,
Nagapattinam District.
(Crime No.54 of 2026)Nagapattinam

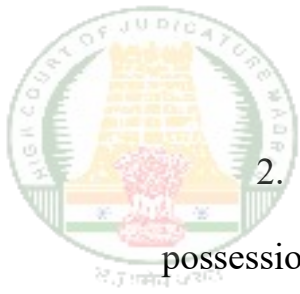
..Respondent(s)

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition filed under section 483 of B.N.S.S, 2023, seeking to enlarge the petitioner on bail in Crime NO.54 of 2026 on the file of the Inspector of Police, Voimedu Police Station, Nagapattinam.

For Petitioner(s):	N.Palanivel
For Respondent(s):	Mr.V.J.Priyadarsana Government Advocate (Crl.Side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 25.03.2026 for the alleged offences under Sections 178, 180 of BNS, 2023, (248, 249 of IPC) in Crime No.54 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.



2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner/A1 was found in possession of 62 numbers of counterfeit Indian currency notes of Rs.500/- and on investigation, it was found that he was involved in manufacturing fake currency using colour Xerox machines and lap top. The machines were recovered. Hence, the case was registered.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is innocent and has been falsely implicated in this case and the currency notes were only Xerox copies kept for showing to his children. He would further submit that the petitioner is ready to cooperate with the investigation. The learned counsel would further contend that the petitioner is ready to abide by any condition that may be imposed on him by this Court.

4. Learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police, while opposing the grant of bail to the petitioner, reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that this is the second bail petition and the earlier petition was dismissed by this Court in CrI.O.P.No.9797 of 2026 on 20.02.2026.

5. At this juncture, the learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner, without prejudice to his defence and contention, is ready and willing to deposit an amount of Rs.25,000/- to any association. Hence, he prays



for grant of bail to the petitioner.

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

7. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the nature of the allegations and the submissions made by learned counsel on either side, and the fact that the co-accused has already been granted bail, and taking note of the period of incarceration undergone by the petitioner as well as the fact that the petitioner has volunteered to deposit a sum of **Rs.25,000/- to the credit of the 'Adayar Cancer Institute, Chennai**, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner subject to certain conditions.

8. Accordingly, the petitioner shall deposit a sum of **Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) non-refundable, to the account of CANCER INSTITUTE (WIA), maintained with Andhra Bank, Madhya Kailash Branch, bearing SB Account No.149710011005477, IFS Code No.ANDB0001497, Branch Code 1497 and MICR No.600011049** and on such deposit, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on his executing 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 **District Munsif-cum-Judicial Magistrate, Vedaranyam** and on further conditions that:



[a] 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 the identity proofs to ensure their identity;

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m. until further orders.

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

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

[e] on breach of any of the aforementioned conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioner in accordance with law as if the conditions had been imposed and the petitioner released on bail by the learned Magistrate/Trial Court itself, as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in ***P.K.Shaji vs. State of Kerala [(2005)13 SCC 283]***;

[f] if the petitioner thereafter abscond, a fresh FIR may be registered under Section 269 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.

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To:

1. The District Munsif-cum-Judicial Magistrate
Vedaranyam.

2. The Jailor
District Prison, Nagapattinam.

3. The Inspector of Police
Voimedu Police Station,
Nagapattinam District.

4. The Public Prosecutor
High Court of Madras
Chennai 600 104



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