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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 13-05-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE P. DHANABAL

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Narmada

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The Inspector of Police,
Palur Police Station,
Chengalpattu District.
(crime No.58 of 2026)

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: This Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 482 of BNSS to enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of his arrest by the respondent police pending investigation in Crime No.58 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner(s):

Mr.V.Vijaya Kumar

For Respondent(s):

Mr. S. Balaji

Government Advocate (Crl. Side)

ORDER

The petitioner apprehends arrest for the alleged offences punishable under Sections 4(1)(A) of the Tamil Nadu Prohibition (Amendment) Act 2024 in Crime No.58 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks anticipatory bail.



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2. The case of the prosecution is that on 11.04.2026, based on the secret information, the respondent police rushed to the petitioner's house and on seeing the police, the petitioner escaped from the scene of occurrence leaving behind a white plastic bag. Upon inspection of the said bag, the respondent police found 12 bottles of "Old Chief" liquor and a sum of Rs.200/-. The respondent police seized the contraband. Hence, this case.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is innocent and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that the petitioner is ready and willing to furnish substantial sureties for his due release and to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Hon'ble Court and therefore, he prayed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police while opposing the anticipatory bail to the petitioner, reiterated the prosecution case and on instructions submitted that the petitioner has three previous cases.



5. Considering the rival submissions made on both sides, the nature of offence, the quantity involved in this case and though the petitioner has three previous cases, in all those cases, petitioner has been granted anticipatory bail, this Court is inclined to grant **anticipatory bail** to the petitioner with 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 made ready, before the learned **Judicial Magistrate No.1, Chengalpattu District** 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 condition that:

[a] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police on every Saturday at 10.30 a.m., for a period of four weeks and thereafter, as and when required for interrogation;

[b] the petitioner shall not, directly or indirectly, make any inducement, threat or promise to any person acquainted with the facts of the case so as to dissuade her from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer;

[c] the petitioner shall not leave India without the previous permission of the Court;



[d] the petitioner shall not abscond 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].

[f] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 B.N.S.2023.

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To

1. The Inspector of Police,
Palur Police Station,
Chengalpattu District.



2. The Judicial Magistrate No.1
Chengalpattu District.

3. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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