



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 13.05.2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE P. DHANABAL

CRL.O.P.No.12425 of 2026

Mani Kannan @ Boopathi

..Petitioner

Vs

The State Rep By the Inspector of Police
Kondalampatti Police Station,
Salem District.

..Respondent

Prayer: The Criminal Original Petition is filed under Section 483 of B.N.S.S., to grant bail to the petitioner in connection with the case in S.C.No.402 of 2025 on the file of the I Additional District and Sessions Judge, Salem.

For Petitioner	:	Mr.C.Harish
For Respondent	:	Mr.R.Vinothraja, Government Advocate.

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody past 440 days for the alleged offence under Section 397, 450 and 395 IPC, in Crime No.160 of 2017, on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an accused facing trial in S.C.No. 402 of 2025 on the file of the learned I Additional District and Sessions Judge, Salem. He further submitted that owing to the petitioner's inability to appear before the trial Court, a Non-Bailable



Warrant was issued against him, pursuant to which he was produced through a Prisoner on Transit (PT) warrant on 26.02.2025. It is also submitted that the petitioner undertakes to regularly appear before the trial Court on all future hearing dates without fail, and is prepared to comply with any stringent conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prays for the grant of bail to the petitioner.

3. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police submitted that the petitioner, who is facing trial in S.C.No. 402 of 2025 on the file of the learned I Additional District and Sessions Judge, Salem, failed to appear before the trial Court, whereupon the trial Court issued a Non-Bailable Warrant against him, and he was subsequently produced through a PT warrant on 26.02.2025. Therefore, he vehemently opposed the grant of bail to the petitioner.

4. Heard both sides and perused the materials available on record including the First Information Report.

5. Considering the nature of allegations, already petitioner was granted bail and due to his non-appearance, NBW was issued by the trial Court and the same was executed and the petitioner is in custody from 26.02.2025 and already



investigation has been completed and the case is posted for framing of charges, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner, subject to certain conditions.

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[a] Accordingly, 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 **I Additional District and Sessions Judge, Salem**, and on further conditions that:-

[b] the petitioner shall report before the Trial Court on all working days at 10.30.a.m., until further orders;

[c] the petitioner shall not commit any offence similar to the offence of which he is accused, or suspected, or of the commission of which he is suspected;

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

[e] 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 him from disclosing such facts to the Court or to any police officer or tamper with the evidence;

[f] On breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Judicial 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].

[g] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under

Section 269 BNS.

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Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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To

1. The Inspector of Police
Kondalampatti Police Station,
Salem District.

2. The I Additional District and Sessions Judge, Salem.

3. The Superintendent,
Central Prison, Salem.

4. The Public Prosecutor, High Court of Madras.



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