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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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1. Raja S

2.P.K.M. Pughalmani

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State Rep., by
The Station House Officer,
Chinnasalem Police Station,
Chinnasalem, Kallakurichi.
(Crime No.152 of 2026)

..Respondent(s)

Prayer: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of B.N.S.S., 2023, to enlarge the petitioners on bail in the event of their arrest by the respondent police in Crime No.152 of 2026 pending investigation on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner(s): Mr. K. Vijayaragavan

For Respondent(s): Mr. S. Balaji,
Government Advocate (Crl.Side)



ORDER

The petitioners / A2 and A3, who apprehend arrest in the hands of the respondent police for the offence punishable under Sections 296(2), 115(2), 118(1) & 351(3) of the BNS, 2023 in connection with the Crime No.152 of 2026, seek anticipatory bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the defacto complainant, who was working as a collection agent in Finruty Finance, approached the accused in connection with recovery of a loan amount availed by A1, which was pending. At that time, the petitioners, along with A1, allegedly attacked and assaulted the defacto complainant. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submitted that the petitioners are innocent persons and have been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that the petitioners have no previous cases. He also submitted that the petitioners are ready to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prayed anticipatory bail for the petitioners.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that Petitioners have no previous cases. He further submitted that A1 has already been arrested and is still in custody. Hence, he vehemently opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the Petitioners.



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

6. Considering the rival submissions made on either side and the nature of offences and taking into account the fact that there is a dispute relating to the loan payment, that the main accused / A1 has already been arrested and is still in judicial custody and that there are no previous cases against the petitioners, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioners, subject to the following conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioners are ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on their appearance, within a period of fifteen days from the date on which the order copy made ready, before the learned **District Munsif Cum Judicial Magistrate-Court, Chinnasalem** on condition that the petitioners shall execute a bond for a sum of Rs.10,000/- each (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 petitioners shall report before the respondent police on every Saturday at 10.00 a.m., for a period of four weeks and thereafter as and when required for interrogation.

[b] the petitioners 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 petitioners shall not leave India without the prior permission of the Court;

[d] the petitioners 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 abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 B.N.S.2023.

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Note :

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To

1. The District Munsif Cum Judicial Magistrate-Court, Chinnasalem.
2. The Station House Officer,
Chinnasalem Police Station,
Chinnasalem, Kallakurichi.
3. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.



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