



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 14-05-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE P. DHANABAL

CRL OP No. 12853 of 2026

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..Petitioner(s)

Vs

The State Rep. by
The Inspector of Police
Minjur Police Station,
Thiruvallur District.
Cr.No. 69/2026.

..Respondent(s)

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of BNSS, 2023, praying to enlarge the petitioner on anticipatory bail in the event of his arrest in Connection with Crime No. 69/2026 on the file of the respondent.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.S.Deivasigamani

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

ORDER

The petitioner who apprehends arrest in the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 303(2), 326(a), and 324(4) of BNS Act, 2023 in Crime No. 69 of 2026 dated 11.02.2026, seeks anticipatory bail.

2.The case of the prosecution is that on 10.02.2026, upon receiving specific information, the Special Tahsildar (HR & CE), Tiruvallur went to the



Thirunalanageeswaran Thirukovil. While the petitioner and the co-accused were illegally transporting sand by a Tractor and Trailer, the concern officer intercepted the same on 11.02.2026 at 00.10 hrs. The co-accused driver left the vehicle and escaped from the scene of occurrence, and then the said vehicle was driven and hit the concern officer's vehicle. Hence the case.

3.Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person, his name is not found in the FIR, and he has been falsely implicated in this case solely based on the confession statement of the co-accused. He further submitted that this is a second anticipatory bail petition, the first application in Crl.O.P. No. 6959 of 2026 having been dismissed on 18.04.2026. He stated that the co-accused A1 and A2 were already arrested, remanded to judicial custody on 21.02.2026, and subsequently released on bail in Crl.M.P. No. 98 of 2026 on 06.03.2026 by the learned Judicial Magistrate No. I, Ponneri. He further submitted that the petitioner has one previous case pending against him in which bail has already been granted, and he is ready to abide by the conditions that may be imposed by this Court. Hence, he prayed anticipatory bail for the petitioner.

4.The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that the petitioner has one previous case pending against him. He further submitted that



the co-accused have already been released on bail. Hence, he vehemently opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the Petitioner.

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

6.Considering the rival submissions made by the learned counsel on either side, the nature of offences, the fact that the petitioner's name was not in the FIR, the fact that the co-accused have already been arrested and released on bail, and also the fact that the petitioner has been granted bail in his only previous case, I am inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner subject to the following conditions.

7.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. I, Ponneri, Tiruvallur 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 Trial Court on every Saturday at 10.00 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];

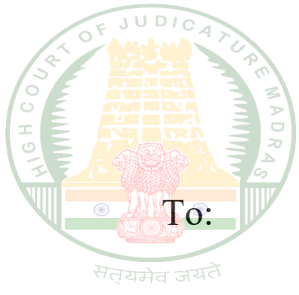
[f] If the accused thereafter abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 BNSS, 2023.

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1.The Judicial Magistrate No. I, Ponneri,
Tiruvallur District.

2.The The Inspector of Police
Minjur Police Station,
Thiruvallur District..

3.The Public Prosecutor,
Madras High Court,
Chennai.



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