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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 14-05-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE P. DHANABAL

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Devalla Sreenivasulu
S/o.Krishnaiah,
Mallamgunta Village and Post,
Rapur Mandal,
Nellore District,
Andhra Pradesh.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

State by
Inspector of Police,
Katpadi Police Station,
Vellore District.
(Crime No.68 of 2025)

..Respondent(s)

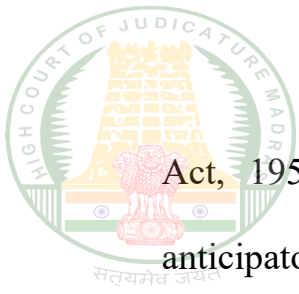
PRAYER : To enlarge the petitioner on bail in the event of his arrest by the respondent police concerned in Cr.No.68 of 2025 on the file of Inspector of Police, Katpadi Police Station, Vellore District on his appearance before the concerned court.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.Sasikumar S

For Respondent(s): Mr.A.Gopinath
Government Advocate (Crl. Side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who apprehends arrest in the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Section 303(2), 326(a) of B.N.S. 2023 r/w. Section 21(1) of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation)



Act, 1957 in connection with the case in Crime No.68 of 2025, seeks anticipatory bail.

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2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner has illegally transported 10 Units of River Sand in a lorry bearing registration No.AP 39 UV 1117. Hence the 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 and that the custodial interrogation is not required in this case and hence prayed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) appearing for the respondent police reiterated the prosecution case and further submitted that, apart from this case, the petitioner has no other previous case and the river sand and vehicle were seized.

5. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Advocate (Crl.Side) for the respondent police and perused the materials available on record.



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6. Considering the nature of allegations and considering the minerals involved in this case, the fact that the petitioner has no other previous cases and the vehicle also seized with sand this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner with certain conditions.

7. Accordingly, the petitioner is are ordered to be released on bail in the event of arrest or on his appearance within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, before the learned **Judicial Magistrate, Katpadi** 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 respondent Police or the Police officer who intends to arrest or to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate concerned, failing which, the petition for anticipatory bail shall stand dismissed and on further conditions that:

[a] the petitioner and the sureties shall affix their photographs and Left Thumb Impression in the surety bond and the Magistrate may obtain a copy of their Aadhar card or Bank pass Book to ensure their identity.

[c] **the petitioner shall report before the respondent police on every Saturday at 10.00 a.m., for a period of eight weeks and thereafter as and when required for interrogation.**

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



investigation or trial.

[e] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial.

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[f] On breach of any of the aforesaid conditions, the learned Magistrate/Trial Court is entitled to take appropriate action against the petitioners in accordance with law as if the conditions have been imposed and the petitioners 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 abscond, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 B.N.S.

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To

- 1.The Judicial Magistrate, Katpadi.
- 2.The Inspector of Police,
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Vellore District.
- 3.The Public Prosecutor, High Court, Madras.



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