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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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Ashok Kumar

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

State rep. By
The Inspector of Police,
Anakkavoor Police Station,
Thiruvannamalai district.
Crime No.15 of 2026

..Respondent(s)

To enlarge the petitioner on bail pending investigation in Crime No.15 of 2026 on the file of the Respondent Police and thus render justice.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.V.R.Appaswamee

For Respondent(s): Mr.V.J.Priyadarsana
Government Advocate (Crl.side)

ORDER

The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 10.03.2026 for the offences punishable under Sections 126(2), 140(2), 310 and 311 of BNS Act, 2023 in Crime. No. 15 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that on 03.03.2026 at about 10.30 p.m., while going to Irungal village from Cheyyar, 9 members in a car blocked



defacto complainant's bike near Thavasi Crematorium. Later, defacto complainant was abducted in the car, taken to an unknown place, threatened at knife point, and his gold jewels and Rs.10,000/- cash were snatched. The accused then contacted his mother, threatened her, and obtained her jewels through a cousin for exchange of the complainant's life. Based on the complaint, the respondent police registered a case against the petitioner and others. Hence, the case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would contend that the petitioner is under judicial custody since 10.03.2026. He further submitted that the defacto complainant is the cousin of the petitioner's friend. The defacto complainant cheated the petitioner's friend in a chit fund. The alleged gold ornaments and cash have been fully recovered and returned to the defacto complainant. He would further submit that he is an innocent person and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. Therefore, he prayed to grant bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that there are totally 9 accused persons. There is no previous case against the petitioner. Investigation in this case is pending. Stolen properties have been recovered from the accused persons. However, he



vehemently opposed the grant of bail to the petitioner.

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

6. Considering the rivals submissions made on both sides and nature of offences charged against the petitioner, and also the fact that there are no previous cases pending against the petitioner, and that even according to the prosecution, stolen properties have been recovered, and also taking into consideration the period of incarceration undergone by the petitioner, this Court is inclined to grant bail to the petitioner, subject to the following conditions:

[a] Accordingly, the petitioner is ordered to be released on bail on condition to 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 **Judicial Magistrate Court, Cheyyar** and on further conditions that:

[b] the petitioner shall report before the respondent police everyday at 10.30 a.m. for a period of 30 days;

[c] the petitioner shall not commit any offence similar to the offence of which she is accused, or suspected, or of the commission of which she 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 her 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 B.N.S.2023.

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To

1. The Judicial Magistrate Court, Cheyyar

2. The Inspector of Police,
Anakkavoor Police Station,
Thiruvannamalai

3. The Superintendent
Central Prison, Vellore

4. The Public Prosecutor,
Madras High Court.



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