



Crl.O.P.No.13116 of 2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 14-05-2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P. DHANABAL

CRL OP NO.13116 of 2026

Veeralakshmi

... Petitioner/ Accused

Vs

The State rep. by,
The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Economic Offence Wing,
Ashok Nagar, Chennai.
(Crime No.15 of 2024)

... Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to grant bail to the petitioner/accused in C.C.No.11 of 2024 on the file of the learned Special Judge, Special Court for TNPID Act Cases at Chennai.

For Petitioner(s) : Mr. S. Kasirajan

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

ORDER



The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 03.09.2024 for the offences punishable under Sections 406, 409, 420 of Indian Penal Code, 1860 and under Section 5 of TNPID Act, 1997 in C.C.No.11 of 2024 on the file of the learned Special Judge, Special Court for TNPID Act Cases at Chennai, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that the petitioner herein is the wife of A3, who along with other accused, had falsely projected themselves as persons running a Property Management and Development firm, had received a sum of Rs.10 lakhs from the defacto complainant for leasing a house. Thereafter, the accused cheated the defacto complainant by fixing a house on rent by paying the advance to the house owner and misappropriated the balance amount. During the course of investigation, it is found that the petitioner along with other accused using the same *modus operandi* took various houses for rent from 168 house owners and sublet them on lease and had received huge amount, thereby cheated them and misappropriated the amount, by not paying the rent amount to the house owners and lease amount to the lessee.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would contend that petitioner is innocent and she has been falsely implicated in this case. He



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further submitted that the investigation of the case was completed and charge sheet also filed; that the petitioner is in judicial custody since 03.09.2024; that the co-accused were already enlarged on bail; and that the petitioner is ready and willing to furnish substantial sureties and to abide by any conditions that may be imposed by this Hon'ble Court and therefore, he prayed to grant bail to the petitioner.

4. The learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) appearing for the respondent police while opposing the bail to the petitioner, reiterated the prosecution case and submitted that the trial of the case is pending and most of the witnesses were examined.

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

6. Considering the rival submissions made on either side, the nature of offences, the fact that most of the witnesses were already examined in the trial, the co-accused was already granted bail and taking note of 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



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Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) with two sureties each for a like sum to the satisfaction of the learned **Special Judge for TNPID Act Cases, Chennai** and on further conditions that;

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

[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].



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[g] If the accused thereafter absconds, a fresh FIR can be registered under Section 269 B.N.S.2023.

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Note :

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P. DHANABAL, J.

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To

1. The Special Judge for TNPID Act Cases,
Chennai.
2. The Deputy Superintendent of Police,
Economic Offence Wing,

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3. The Superintendent,
Puzhal Prison.
4. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.

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