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Crl.O.P.No.13132 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.13132 of 2026

Hari @ Manikandan

... Petitioner/ Accused

Vs

The State rep. by,
The Inspector of Police,
Perundurai Police Station,
Erode District.
(Crime No.187 of 2026)

... Respondent

PRAYER : Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 483 of Bharatiya
Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, to grant bail to the petitioner/accused in
Crime No.187 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police.

For Petitioner(s) : Mr. R. Thamarai Selvan

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

ORDER



The petitioner, who was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on 08.03.2026 for the offences punishable under Sections 126, 127(2), 140(1), 309, 351(3) of BNS in Crime No.187 of 2026 on the file of the respondent police, seeks bail.

2. The case of the prosecution is that due to previous enmity, the petitioner, who was an employee of the defacto complainant, along with other accused kidnapped the defacto complainant and ransom of Rs.1 crore. Hence, this case.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would contend that petitioner is innocent and he has been falsely implicated in this case. He further submitted that the petitioner is under judicial custody since 08.03.2026; 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 only a substantial amount has been recovered; that the petitioner has no previous antecedents and the



investigation of this case is pending.

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

6. Considering the rival submissions made on either side, the nature of offences charged against the petitioner, the fact that the petitioner has no previous cases and taking note of the fact that a part of the money was recovered and also the duration of the custody 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, Perundurai** and on further conditions that;

[b] **the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.30 a.m., until further orders;**

[c] the petitioner shall not commit any offence similar to the offence of which he is accused, or suspected, or of the commission of which he is suspected;

[d] the petitioner shall not abscond either during investigation or trial;



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[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, Perundurai.
2. The Inspector of Police,
Perundurai Police Station,
Erode District.
(Crime No.187 of 2026)
3. The Superintendent,
Sub Jail, Erode.
4. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras.

P. DHANABAL, J.

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