



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 14-05-2026

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE P. DHANABAL

CRL.O.P.No.12809 of 2026

Sahil Shingvi
S/o. Bhupender Shingvi
Residing at,
No.8/26, 2nd Floor,
Nagamani Garden Street,
Sowcarpet, Chennai – 600 001.

... Petitioner

vs.

The State Rep. by
The Inspector of Police,
F-5 Choolaimedu Police Station,
Chennai – 600 094.
(Crime No.682 of 2024)

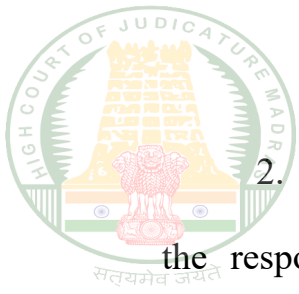
... Respondent

PRAYER Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of B.N.S.S., to enlarge the petitioner/accused on bail in the event of arrest by the respondent police in Crime No.682 of 2024 pending investigation before the respondent and to pass orders.

For Petitioner:	Mr.C.Mohan Raj
For Respondent:	Mr.A.Gopinath Government Advocate (Crl. Side)

ORDER

The petitioner/accused, who apprehends arrest at the hands of the respondent police for the offences punishable under Sections 8 (c), 20 (b) (ii) (B) & 25 of The Narcotics Drugs & Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, in connection with Crime No.682 of 2024, seeks anticipatory bail.



2. The case of the prosecution is that on 17.12.2024, at about 6.00 p.m., the respondent police received an information and went to the place of occurrence, and apprehended the accused persons who were in possession of 1.110 grams of Ganja, without any valid license. The said contraband was seized and the aforesaid case was registered.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner is an innocent person and he has not committed any offence as alleged by the prosecution. He further submitted that based on the confession statement of the co-accused, the petitioner's name was implicated in this case. Hence, prayed for anticipatory bail.

4. Learned Government Advocate (Criminal Side) reiterated the prosecution case and would submit that no previous case is pending as against the petitioner. However, he opposed to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner.

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

6. Considering the rival submissions on either side and nature of offences alleged as against the petitioner and the fact that no previous case is pending against the petitioner, that the quantity of contraband involved in this case is not



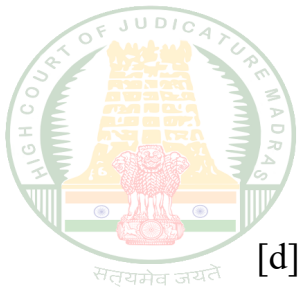
a commercial quantity, this petitioner was arrayed as accused only based on the confession statement of the co-accused and that the co-accused arrested in this case have been released on bail, this Court is inclined to grant anticipatory bail to the petitioner on certain conditions.

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 of receipt of a copy of this order, before the **learned Principal Special Judge (EC & NDPS), Chennai**, 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.

[b] **the petitioner shall report before the respondent police daily at 10.00 a.m., until further orders.**

[c] the petitioner shall not tamper with evidence or witness either during investigation or trial.



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

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[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 B.N.S.

14.05.2026

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To

1.The Principal Special Judge (EC & NDPS),
Chennai.

2.The Inspector of Police,
F-5 Choolaimedu Police Station,
Chennai – 600 094.

3.The Public Prosecutor,
Madras High Court.

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